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MOURN PASSING OF MISS TRAYLOR

Pastor's And Laymen's Conference Ends Nov. 13

Edward L. Byrd, chairman of the program committee of the Pastors' and Laymen's Conference has released the program for the sessions to be held on Monday night and Tuesday morning, November 13 and 14.

In addition to several state speakers Dr. Duke McCall, president of the Baptist Bible Institute, and Missionary J. H. Ware, of China and Tupelo, will deliver addresses.

The program follows:

Monday Evening, November 13

7:30—Song Period, C. R. Haire, New Albany in charge.

7:40—Devotion—Rev. Chester Molpus of Belzoni.

7:55—Special Music.

8:00—"The Pastor's Part, and the Layman's Part in Furthering

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THE LITTLE BAPTIST BY J. M. MARTIN

(With special permission of the Sunday School Board at Nashville, we present this story by J. M. Martin, a popular narrative. Follow it weekly. The book, *The Little Baptist*, may be purchased from your Baptist Book Store.—Editor.)

(Continued from last week)

Dr. Farnsworth took up his hat preparatory to leaving, but Mellie entreated him to remain longer and answer her a few questions relative to the mode or action of baptism. To this he reluctantly assented, and told her to proceed with her questions.

"Don't you think that Christ was baptized by immersion?" asked Mellie.

The doctor said: "I am not bound to admit that He was. It is possible, yet by no means certain. But grant that He was immersed in the river Jordan, as you and your Baptist friends contend, we are not in the least bound by that. Christian baptism was not instituted until the giving of the Commission; and you know that the baptism of John, that Christ received, has never been considered by our church as Christian baptism."

"Does not the term Christian mean Christlike?" asked Mellie. "And what is Christian baptism if it is not to be baptized in the same manner that Christ Himself was? He said to His disciples, 'follow me,' and I am sure that if we follow Him, we will never do an un-Christian act. Then did not Philip baptize the eunuch after the giving of the Commission? It appears to me that the Commission neither introduced any new rite nor changed any old one. It enlarged the disciples' field of labor—nothing more. Prior to this, they had been restricted to the Jews; now they are told to go into all the world and

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Convention Speaker



DR. EVERETT GILL, JR.

Dr. Everett Gill, Jr., Foreign Mission Board secretary for Latin America, will be one of the featured speakers at the Mississippi Baptist Convention. Dr. Gill will speak on Wednesday night.

Dr. Sampey Urges That Baptists Stick Ever Closer To Gospel of Christ Celebrates 81st Birthday At Home

Dr. John R. Sampey, president emeritus of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, observed his 81st birthday, September 27. He was not physically able to speak to the seminary chapel on that day, but Dr. G. S. Dobbins interviewed Dr. Sampey and told of the interview in a chapel service honoring the great theologian.

"What would you say to the young men gathered at the Seminary just now as to heart of the mission and message of the Christian minister today and in the post-war era?" Dr. Dobbins asked.

Keep in Touch with Christ

"Say to them," Dr. Sampey replied warmly and with vigor, "that the supreme matter is to keep in vital touch with Christ. The greatest thing about a minister is his spirit. He must both live and preach Christ to men. His gospel must be given through his personality as well as from his lips."

"I say again what I have said so often to my students, 'Give all the keys of your life to Jesus Christ!' Do not shut Him out from any room in your life. To the extent that you fail to do this, you will fail in your ministry. There is no measuring the influence of a man wholly surrendered to Christ. The peace of the world depends on making the spirit of Christ dominant in the hearts of all men everywhere. True ministers of

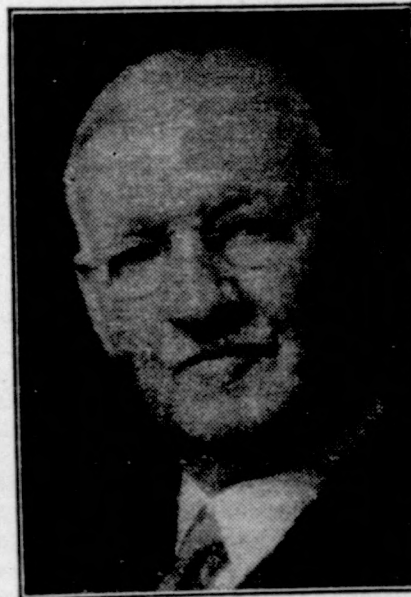


DR. J. D. FRANKS

Dr. J. D. Franks, pastor First Baptist Church, Columbus, and Mississippi member of the Foreign Mission Board, will have charge of the Foreign Mission hour on Wednesday night of the State Convention.

Jesus Christ are the most important men in the world today."

Dr. Dobbins reminded: "Southern Baptists are preparing to celebrate their centennial next year. What do you consider their greatest single



DR. SAMPEY

achievement in these hundred years?"

Dr. Sampey's answer came sharp and clear: "Their testimony for New Testament Christianity, in the fullest sense, at home and abroad. We have conceived as our mission the taking of the whole gospel to the whole

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All Mississippi and innumerable friends elsewhere were shocked and grieved at the sudden passing on Wednesday night, October 25, of Miss Fannie Traylor, Executive Secretary of the Mississippi Woman's Missionary Union.

Miss Traylor had not been feeling so well for a week but had gone ahead with her work. A week ago Monday (Oct. 16th) she came to the office, as usual! Around noon she had an attack with her gall bladder and was in very severe pain. She had trouble with this for some three or four years. She took some medicine and lay down in her office, but the pain continued. Her niece, who is the W. M. U. office secretary, got a car and took her to her room. The pain continued and by four o'clock she was carried to the hospital. She was better the next day. She continued to get along fairly well—the doctor was keeping her at the hospital more for observation than anything else—she really thought she would go home from the hospital by Monday or Tuesday. She had another "flare-up" Saturday night—not as severe as on the previous Monday.

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Adequate Financial Program Needed

E. D. Hurst

Jones County Convention Board Member, and Member of Executive Committee

The November session of our state convention promises to be, will be, the greatest in our history. Mississippi Baptists are expecting it, and praying for it, and working for it.

Two things are on the skyline for this 1944 session. First, our debts will have been paid. This is something we have done. Second, our leaders will have the vision and the program to present a big work for the Centennial Year of our great Southern Baptist Convention. This is something to be done. The Southwide program already scheduled and set to go is big enough to urge, to compel, our Mississippi Baptist Convention to set a big goal. This is looked for. Evangelism will be the cooperative effort. The goal, a million souls.

One of the questions in our thinking is, Will we make an adequate financial goal to accomplish the work? Will the financial goal be big enough to challenge Mississippi Baptists? Will a financial budget be scheduled that will provide the money income, and at the same time enlist and develop the individual Christian? Our programs have been so limited heretofore that an adequate financial budget now will challenge even our best leadership. Will we be able to plan big enough?

The background of our planning is an undertaking of our potential re-

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Sparks & Splinters

Berton McGee of Pattison has been called to the Byram church for half-time and has already begun his work there. The members are very cooperative and under the leadership of their new pastor hope to put on a challenging church program. A new Training Union has been organized with the following officers: Director, Mrs. J. J. Sanderfur; Intermediate leader, Miss Ann McBride; Junior leader, Mrs. Henry Bounds; and Story Hour leader, Mrs. King. A revival meeting is now in progress and the pastor is doing the preaching.

Roseland Park, Picayune: We hope to complete our building within the next few weeks. A year ago we had half-time services and now are having full-time. The Sunday school and B. T. U. are improving and we have a newly organized Brotherhood. In our W. M. U. we have grown from one circle and no young people's work to two circles, an R. A., G. A. and Sunbeam Band. The following are officers for 1945: President of W. M. S., Mrs. J. C. Jarrell; secretary and treasurer, Mrs. Herb Stockstill; young people's leader, Mrs. Morrell Lee; stewardship chairman, Mrs. E. R. Boone; mission study chairman, Mrs. Litt Stockstill; community missions chairman, Mrs. Luther Mitchell; literature and publications, Mrs. Troy Boon; membership chairman, Mrs. Jack Jones; publicity chairman, Mrs. Corthan Smith. Rev. Morrell Lee, our pastor, and his wife are leading us in a great way. The Baptist Record is a source of inspiration to us.—Mrs. J. C. Jarrell, president, W. M. S.

Enlistment Pastor E. D. Estes is at it again. In the last few days he has sent in several lists.

French Camp: Large congregations are attending services at French Camp. There were two additions on the last preaching day.—R. L. Ray, Jr., pastor.

Pastor J. H. Pennebaker was assisted in the revival at Sumner by William Lowrey Cooper of Argentina who preached twice daily. The attendance was good at all services. The fact that Brother Cooper was graduated from Sumner high school during his father's pastorate added to the interest of the meeting. There were 13 additions to the church. On Sunday morning, Oct. 22, the pastor baptized two sets of brothers, one Chinese and the other of Italian parentage, and four Junior girls. The Sunday school and B. T. U. are growing steadily.

We are hoping there will be 50,000 Evangelistic meetings during the Centennial Crusade. Each one of the 25,000 churches should have at least one meeting. 10,000 churches should have a second meeting during the year. And there should be 15,000 extension evangelistic meetings in halls, tents, school houses, brush arbors, etc. Our biggest preachers should preach in the smallest places. This would give a lift and inspiration to such churches.—M. E. Dodd.

Miss Cheri Allen, Indianola, has been chosen as the "bride," and Miss Eleanor Langston, Starkville, will be the "groom" in the Junior-Freshman wedding at Blue Mountain College. to be "solemnized" November 4.

Bro. Jacob Gartenhaus, field secretary of the Home Mission Board to the Jews, sends us an intensely interesting article on "The Roman Catholic Church and the Jew." We regret that space limitations do not permit our publishing it. He will, however, be glad to send a copy to anyone interested. He may be addressed at the Home Mission Board, 315 Red Rock Building, Atlanta, Ga.

November is Thanksgiving month. Thanksgiving is Baptist Orphanage month.

Deer Creek Association met with Arcola church on October 9 and 10. Officers re-elected were: Moderator, Dr. C. S. Henderson; vice-moderator, Rev. J. R. Eubanks; clerk-treasurer, D. H. Landrum. Twenty-four of the 27 churches reported as follows: membership 6,505; Sunday schools 25; Sunday school enrollment 3,794; Training Unions 73; W. M. U. organizations 43; total benevolence gifts \$39,606.34; total contributions \$134,502.07.—D. H. Landrum.

Among our cities in the south, the best record on evangelism during 1943 was made by Jacksonville, Florida, with one baptism for every twelve members of the churches. The lowest record was made by Richmond, Virginia, with one baptism for every 43 members. The norm for the whole convention was one for 27 members. The goal set for the Centennial Crusade is one for five members.—M. E. Dodd.

Sixteen new boys and girls were admitted to the Orphanage during the month of September. Your Thanksgiving offering will help to take care of this group together with the large number of boys and girls who already make their home in the Orphanage.

The offices and functions of the Baptist Student Union were presented to members of the Blue Mountain College student body in a chapel program Friday, Oct. 13, by members of the college B. S. U. Council. Nineteen council members took part in the program which presented an acrostic and closed with the singing of the B. S. U. hymn. Council members participating were Marjorie West, president; Margaret Wilson, Virginia Frances Lady, Jean Lowrey, Mary D. Leavell, Dorothy Lee Jefferson, Floriene Williams, Betty Gene Sauer, Willodean McDonnell, Frances Gene Eannaford, Wilma Stewart, Jean Anderson, Bea Dawkins, Jane Wood, Bobbie Lee Caples, Margaret Pritchard, Mary Tom Berry, Miss Lucy Carleton Wilds and Mrs. Betron Hollowell. Rev. C. J. Smyly is also a council member.

Share joyfully! Share joyfully! Share generously! Share lovingly! Share abundantly with the Orphanage at this Thanksgiving season.

Sixty Blue Mountain College students attended the B. S. U. Convention in Newton Oct. 20-22. They were accompanied by Miss Lucy Carleton Wilds, Rev. C. J. Smyly and Dr. W. C. Tyler.

The Mississippi Church Council for Narcotic Education is actively and continuously engaged in efforts to alleviate and solve this problem.

The Orphanage jointly with the W. M. U. wishes to remind you to send in all coupons from your Octagon coupon products. These coupons may be worthless to you but they mean dollars to us. Save them! Mail them to Baptist Orphanage, P. O. Box 1045, Jackson 109, Mississippi.

The railroads as usual will transport all supplies free of charge to the Orphanage at this Thanksgiving season. Shipments may be made from November 17 through December 6. In order to cooperate with the railroads to the very best of our ability we are asking that these supplies be consolidated so there will be only one shipment coming from your local shipping point. However, if this cannot be done and there is delay, the railroads will be kind enough to accept any supplies for shipment on dates specified.

Through the pages of The Baptist Record Brother H. P. McDonald wants to express his appreciation to the people in Winston County Association for their part in raising \$100 which was used to repair the cottage in which he resides.

The following have been recent visitors to The Baptist Record office: Dr. Madison Flowers, Goodman; Mrs. Joe Canzoneri, Lebanon Junction, Ky.; Dr. Lawrence Lowrey, Blue Mountain; Rev. W. H. Wood, Brandon; Rev. Percy M. Cooper, Jackson; Rev. C. B. Hamlet III, Winona; Mrs. L. G. Gates, Mrs. Chas. T. Walters, Mrs. W. J. Pack, Mrs. Lavon Boyles, Laurel; Dr. Webb Brame, Yazoo City; Dr. D. M. Nelson, Clinton; Rev. Joe T. Odle, Crystal Springs; Rev. V. R. Crider, Paynes; Rev. L. W. Ferrell, Jackson; Rev. J. B. Smith, Hollandale; Kenneth R. Whitfield, F. B. I., Washington D. C.; Dr. O. P. Estes, Picayune; Forrest (Woody) Watkins, Jackson; Rev. O. S. Tidwell, Blue Springs.

The success of the Thanksgiving offering for the Orphanage will depend largely under the leadership of our churches. The pastor is still the leader of his people, certainly he will lead them in making a liberal cash offering for this worthy cause.

Some 35 cities have adopted plans already for evangelistic simultaneous evangelistic crusades. These include some of our great Baptist centers like Nashville, Knoxville, Chattanooga and Memphis, Tennessee; Louisville, Kentucky; Atlanta, Georgia; Birmingham and Montgomery, Alabama; Houston, Dallas, Fort Worth and San Antonio, Texas; Baltimore, Maryland; Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, and Shreveport, Louisiana. There should be at least 100 citywide crusades. Every town where there are two or more Baptist churches should have a simultaneous crusade. It is late already to begin plans. We would urge the earliest possible decision on this matter.

The Orphanage has been able to meet all accounts in full when payments are due and takes advantage of every cash discount.

The State Mission Offering at Ackerman on October 22 was \$49.27. In connection with the offering a stewardship program under the leadership of Mrs. Tom Files was given. Among those taking part on the program were: J. E. Finger, M. P. Graves, E. M. Commander, H. L. Rhodes and E. B. Dobbs. The Sunbeams, Junior G. A's; Intermediate G. A's; R. A's and the Y. W. A. aided in the program.

The cash Thanksgiving goal for the Orphanage is \$25,000.00. If every loyal Mississippi Baptist does his or her part this goal can be easily reached.

The First Baptist Church of Meridian for the associational year closed September 30 showed 176 additions and total contributions of \$63,498.24 of which over \$12,000 was for missions.

The Baptist Orphanage has been free of debt for more than eight years.

The following officers were elected by the Marion County Association: Moderator, O. O. Davis; clerk, L. B. Thompson; treasurer, J. E. Evans. Many said the 1944 session was better attended and deeper spiritually than any other.

Mrs. W. B. Oliver, mother-in-law of Dr. J. McKee Adams of the Southern Seminary faculty, died recently at Louisville, Kentucky. For several years she had made her home with Dr. and Mrs. Adams. She was the widow of Rev. W. B. Oliver, well-known Baptist minister of North and South Carolina. He died several years ago.

Mt. Vernon church, Lowndes county, has 48 Record readers instead of 22 as stated in last week's Baptist Record.

Dr. H. Leo Eddleman, pastor Parkland church, Louisville, Ky., recently assisted Dr. W. W. Hamilton of Gentry church, New Orleans, in a revival in connection with the city-wide campaign. There were 24 additions. Dr. Eddleman is a Mississippian and a graduate of Mississippi College.

First church, Columbus, now has 63 Record subscribers and not 43 as given in last week's issue.

Hazlehurst: Total receipts for the past year were \$19,149.29. \$12,417.86 went for local expenses; missions and benevolences, \$4,093.27. This leaves a balance of \$2,918.57. Receipts for the previous year were \$16,714.39.—Reporter.

Calvary, Greenwood: Our revival begins November 5th. Rev. J. B. Smith, successful pastor of Hollandale will bring God's messages to us from the Word. Rev. James Allgood will lead the singing.—R. A. Tullos, pastor.

Wellman church, Lincoln county: We have called Ormand Knight, Mississippi College student, as pastor and have gone from one-fourth to one-half time.

Calvary, Greenwood: During an eight weeks' Sunday school attendance campaign the average attendance increased from 120 to 183.

Radio Station WSM, Nashville, Tennessee, has announced that the broadcast of the Sunday school lesson by the editorial department of the Sunday School Board has been changed from Saturday afternoon each week to Saturday morning 11:15 to 11:30. Dr. W. R. White, head of the department, Dr. Clifton J. Allen, and their associates are doing a superb job in broadcasting their interpretation and application of the Sunday school lessons.—Walter M. Gilmore.

The Orphanage admitted 59 children during the Convention year Nov. 1, 1943-Oct. 31, 1944.

NORTHWEST MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST PASTORS' CONFERENCE
Sardis Baptist Church
November 7, 1944

9:45—Devotional—A. T. Cinnamon.
10:00—Training Union Work—Auber J. Wilds.
10:30—"The Preacher in the Pulpit"—Dr. L. Bracey Campbell.
11:00—"The Preacher Out of the Pulpit"—V. R. Crider.
11:30—"Spiritual Possibilities in North Mississippi"—J. B. Ray.
12:15—Lunch.
1:15—Hebrews, Chapter 3—David Cranford.
1:55—Hebrews, Chapter 4—A. B. Pierce.
2:35—Hebrews, Chapter 5—C. H. Skutt.
3:15—Miscellaneous and Adjournment.
A. T. Cinnamon, President.
J. B. Middleton, Secretary.

Help Reach The 45,000 Goal By Convention Time---Is Your Church In?

Paul's Method: "I kept back nothing that was profitable, but have shewed you and taught you publickly, and from house to house." Acts 20:20

Mississippi Baptists

Your Secretary Says:—
"LOVE NEVER FAILS"
1 Cor. 13:8b

Paul's Message: "Testifying both to the Jews, and also the Greeks, repentance toward God, and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ." Acts 20:21.

MISSISSIPPI BAPTISTS LOSE A GREAT LEADER

While out on the field in service the most shocking experience since entering this work came to us. Miss Traylor had been called HOME! Not only will she be missed by W. M. U., but by all Mississippi Baptists. She was happy, helpful and spiritual. She was a good friend. A great leader. John 15.

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I

As we come to the close of this Convention year we find it has some distinguishing features for Mississippi Baptists.

First, it is the seventh straight year in which period Mississippi Baptists have remained in the higher brackets in soul-winning. That is as it should be.

Second, again Mississippi Baptists establish a new all time high in contributions to all causes of Christ.

Third, it finds us nearer out of debt than for twenty-five (25) years past.

Fourth, Mississippi Baptist life generally is at its peak. The Orphanage is in the best shape ever. So is our Baptist Hospital. Mississippi College is in the best sort of shape—the first time for many years. Blue Mountain College is in the finest condition ever. Clarke College is riding the high places again, while M. W. C. is the only institution from which we have not heard. We understand it is out of debt for the first time in decades. The Baptist Record has the largest subscription list ever, and is clearing thousands of dollars. Every other department is enlarged and strengthened.

How did all this come about? 1. A love for Jesus. 2. A love for one another, pulling together. 3. A love for the lost. 4. Better financial conditions. 5. Christian statesmanship. Attending to the King's business! Practicing some measures of economy. 6. Prayer. 7. Bible study.

II

Some outstanding needs face Mississippi Baptists, as we enter another Convention year.

1. We must establish a work in the 150 churchless areas in our state.
2. We must cooperate in the swelling tide calling for association missionaries.

3. We need (1) A Baptist Building, (2) Brotherhood Director, (3) Music Director, (4) Baptist Assembly.

4. We need a soul winning effort that will go after and win to Christ the 700,000 lost people in our state.

5. We need an enlistment campaign that will win to our respective departments (W. M. U., Sunday school, B. T. U., and Brotherhood), the men, women, and children not now being reached.

6. We need to challenge our people to pack the houses of worship at ALL preaching services and prayer meetings.

7. We must call our people away from rebellion against God and zeal for Christ until they will gladly bring their tithes and offerings to the house of the Lord for His work.

8. We need to ask God to keep us united and away from hellish strife and bickering.

9. We need to stress State Missions until we are able to obey Jesus regarding "all Judea" (Acts 1:8) by taking Him to the people of every hill and hollow, all over this great state.

III

We are dated every Sunday of this year. The brethren seem willing, some are anxious for the Executive Secretary to serve. We thank God for the joy that goes with real WORK.

Mississippi Baptists are a preaching people. Preaching has somewhat made them! We need a campaign of old fashioned, heaven sent, Bible filled, Christ centered, Holy Ghost inspired, love for the lost and saved—PREACHING! We could largely take this state for Christ with a real revival of such preaching. Baptists are "missing the bus" regarding radio preaching. The "spots" are being taken by all sorts of preaching, good, bad, and indifferent. Baptists are lagging in this in many places.

As a matter of fact, Baptists need a Southwide radio station with power to reach around the world. We could not better spend money. Every Baptist Convention could have a radio station. Various churches would readily take a day a year. At that rate it would take five years to get around to all our Mississippi Baptist churches.

If the devil is the prince of the power of the air (you believe it listening to some things) why not defeat him in his own territory—the air? What victory!

A constructive meeting of representatives of the Mississippi Baptist Brotherhood Committee was held in the Convention Board office, Wednesday, October 18, with Brother Harry Smallwood presiding. Some constructive suggestions will go to the Convention from this meeting.

A splendid spirit was in evidence throughout the sessions of the Greene County Association held with Leakesville Baptist Church. Moderator Otis Perry saw that everyone was kept in fine humor and that the King's business was dispatched with efficiency. Incidentally, the Leakesville church building has been done over and is a lovely house of worship. They have also gone to full time and advanced in every department.

An excellent session of the Wayne County Association was held with State Line Baptist Church. Brother Ivan Lowrey was elected moderator. We have known him and his family for a good while. They are splendid Christians. The largest group of new pastors was seen in this association out of the several visited. They are good men. We welcome them in the work.

We are presented with a sharp rental increase proposal on the space used by our Convention Board offices. Foreign Missions, the Orphanage and all other causes bear their pro rata of such costs. There is another reason why

we need a new Baptist Building. State Missions once owned this building, but it was given along with other properties to another phase of the work. It has been carried as a deficit on our books. It should be, somehow, cleared.

IV

WHAT THE CHURCH IS NOT

The church is not made up of people who think they are better than the rest, but of people who know they ought to be better than they are, and belong to the church because it is trying to help them to be better.

The church is not made up of people who think they are perfect, but of people who are sure that they have found the perfect ideal in Jesus Christ.

The church is not made up of people who think they never made any mistakes, but of people who have recognized their wrong-doing and have joined the church in the belief it will help them avoid wrong-doing.

The church is not trying to tell people what they must believe, but it is trying to tell them what they can believe, and what a difference it will make in their life if they do believe these things.

The church is not trying to take the joy out of life, but is trying to put joy into every man's life that will last through all of time.

—Anchorage, Alaska, Baptist Church Bulletin.

V

BIBLE STUDY OF STEWARDSHIP

Book: Philippians
By A. B. Pierce

Introduction:

1. First church on European soil.
2. First members won by Paul and Silas.
3. This letter was in response to an offering sent Paul.
4. Letter not a treatise on stewardship, but some vital principles are taught somewhat indirectly.

Let us look at

I. The Minister's Attitude Toward His Work, the Church, and Material Stewardship:

1. Prays for the church. Ch. 1:4-11.
2. His greatest joy is preaching Christ. 1:12-18. Life means nothing but an opportunity to let Jesus live in him.
3. Paul has a right to expect material support from the churches. 4:10.
4. To preach stewardship, but not selfishly. 2:19-21.
 - a. A church does not exist to support a preacher.
 - b. To be worthy of support, must put Kingdom first. 4:11, 17.
 - c. To depend on God and not church for support, and God will use the church to support the minister.
5. Paul commended this church for its liberality. 4:14.

II. Attitude of the Church Toward the Minister.

1. Responsibility to supply material needs of spiritual leaders. 4:16.
2. Such giving not a matter of charity, but to the Lord. 4:17.
3. Regular and systematic giving—"once and again—from beginning until now"—4:15, 16. Done freely, not of compulsion.
4. Theirs a Cooperative Program. 1:4; II Corinthians 11:7-9.
5. Epaphroditus the connecting link—Mission Boards. 2:25-30.
 - a. Willingness to hazard life for cause of Christ.
 - b. To be honored, not criticized, as usually done.
6. Make its gifts to the point of sacrifice. 4:18.
 - a. Gave beyond their ability. II Corinthians 8:1-5.
 - b. Self surrender to Christ the basis of such giving.

III. God's Attitude Toward Supplying Material Needs of Ministers.

1. The church the medium of supplying such needs. Not individuals.
2. His love caused them to care about supplying needs 4:10, 16.
3. He is pleased and honored when needs abundantly met. 4:18.
4. Gifts made in carrying on His work are credited as an investment that will bring dividends here and hereafter. 4:17.
5. Those who give sacrificially are promised that all their needs will be supplied. 4:19. This promise not to every Christian, but to those who give liberally to His work.
 - a. Giving not to be bargaining matter with God.
 - b. Yet you may assure the people that when they have met the spirit of real sacrificial giving He will not fail them in the hour of need.

RESOLUTIONS OF UNION BAPTIST CHURCH

Whereas, the members of Union Baptist Church, Walthall county, and the Christian people of the community were fortunate in having Rev. N. F. Davis, Jr., for a pastor, and

Whereas, in answering the Lord's call and the call of our country he leaves this church and his friends here to enter the chaplaincy of the United States Army, and

Whereas, the members of the church and friends of the community shall miss him and have sustained a great loss in his going.

Therefore, be it resolved by the mem-

bers of Union church that in remembrance of his work among us his name shall go on our honor roll along with the others from our church who wear the uniform of our country;

Be it resolved that a copy of these resolutions be put on the records of our church and a copy sent to The Baptist Record.

This 16 day of October, 1944.

F. S. Sartin, Chairman of Deacons,
E. J. Webb, Deacon,
W. R. Barron, B. T. U. Director,
E. H. Breeland, Church Treasurer,
J. Melvin Boyd, Sunday School Superintendent,
Committee.

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MISS FANNIE TRAYLOR

"I commend unto you . . . our
sister . . . a servant of the
church . . . for she hath been a
helper of many including myself"
Romans 16:1, 2.

This passage of Scripture is especially appropriate as we think of the sudden passing of Miss Fannie Traylor, beloved W. M. U. worker for 30 years. She was a dear and noble soul and a blessing to all who knew her.

As we think of her we are reminded of what George Adam Smith said when requested to write the history of the life of Henry Drummond. He was startled and stunned. After a period of silence he feelingly replied, "Write the history of Henry Drummond? It would be like writing the history of a fragrance." So was the life of our departed friend and co-laborer—fragrant in living for Jesus; fragrant in service for the Master; fragrant because of the life she lived; fragrant because of the example left.

No woman among Mississippi Baptists was better loved or more widely known than Miss Traylor. Her heart was as tender as a tear. She was gentle and sympathetic, no respecter of persons. She served all alike whether rich or poor, learned or illiterate, white or black.

In the wide circle of her friendships she showed her wonderful faithfulness—not only winning admiration and affection but strengthening tender ties because of her continued loyalty. And now the Master Himself has placed a golden crown of fidelity upon her brow. She has received the glorious sequel to her life of Christian faithfulness and loving service—"Enter thou into the joy of thy Lord."

Thank God for the influence of such a woman—one whom it was

a delight to know and a privilege to imitate. May the inspiring memory of her life here blend with the confident assurance of the reunion through the risen and redeeming Lord.

For ten years Miss Traylor's office and ours have been side by side. We have watched her work. We have shared many hours of fellowship. Her whole life was devoted to her calling. No pessimist was she. Never a word of idle or malicious gossip left her lips. She worked and planned and worked some more. No idle hours or words can be charged against her. She was the soul of hospitality and the personification of helpfulness.

"Good and faithful servant"—these words describe our friend so accurately that you will recognize the fitness at this time. Her activities were prompted by genuine goodness; her daily life was consistent with the high ideals of her faith.

Faithfulness is an acid test of life—and she triumphantly passed the test. One of her outstanding characteristics was an unflinching loyalty to her Lord, her work, her friends.

Miss Traylor was not only faithful to her work but a faithful church member. When at home on Sundays she went to her church.

She was a good friend—ever ready to help. Often we sought her help and advice and both were graciously given.

Also she was a good friend. All of us at Baptist headquarters feel we have sustained a personal loss. We shall miss her optimism, her help, her enthusiasm.

While no words of mine can add peace to her ashes or sweetness to her sleep, I appreciate the privilege of paying tribute to her fine Christian character and example.

"There's a something in the parting hour
That chills the warmest heart—
Yet kindred, loved ones, friends,
Comrades

Are fated all to part;
But this I've seen and many a pang
Has pressed it on my mind—
That they who go are happier far
Than those they leave behind."

—A. L. GOODRICH.

WHO ARE YOU?

Many organizations require historical data and proof of service by our ancestors in some of the wars America has fought before we may be admitted. Because other lines in the same family may refer to and use your record these organizations are very strict in granting membership.

A love of family and home life as well as a desire to join certain societies may urge some people

to genealogical research. We find genealogical records in the Word of God which many of us could not touch in regard to the span of years and number of generations recorded.

Inaccurate records, poor spelling, devastation of court house documents by war or fire present difficulties in obtaining complete records in many instances.

The most interesting thing to us has been not only the thriftiness of our early forbears, but as they accumulated land they also made provision for the education and religious instruction of their children. Often times the mother was the teacher; sometimes a teacher was hired to come into the home to live so she might teach the children.

Wills written in long hand were profuse as our forefathers recognized that life is uncertain but death is sure. They usually wrote with assurance of their readiness to meet God and a desire to have things in order when the summons should come.

One three-acre plot was deeded in 1778 by the Baptist minister who owned the land to a rural Baptist church with the stipulation that should the time ever come when the church ceased to function the property would revert to the heirs. Over 150 years later because that Baptist church was still "carrying on" a lawsuit was decided in favor of the church because the conditions as set forth in the original deed had been met.

But how much more important than our maternal and paternal grandparents is our spiritual heritage? "In my Father's house are many mansions." Christ has gone to prepare a place for us and those of us who have accepted Christ know we will hear the welcome "enter thou into the joys of thy Lord"—but if we have not done the one thing necessary to make Christ our Saviour and God our Father, then the words "depart from me I never knew you" will forever bar us from admittance to the Heavenly Home.

Who are you? Is your name Christian? Are you a child of God?

—BR— CONSISTENCY!

From the Clarion-Ledger of September 8 we learn that the O. P. A. has filed suit against a Corinth, Miss., liquor dealer for \$51,435. It is asserted that he sold liquor above the ceiling prices. We do not know much, but we do believe if they can get evidence that he sold for more than ceiling prices, they could also get evidence that he sold it. Whisky selling is illegal in Mississippi and if they can prove he sold it above ceiling price, why not just prove he sold it and prosecute him under our prohibition laws?

BROTHER SPEED'S HOPE AND DESIRE J. W. Lee

For the issue of October 12, Brother Leland Speed is quoted as saying: "My hope and desire is that all our institutions will be able to come to the Convention debt free and that the Convention will never again go in debt as it is easier to raise money for something that is being done than for something that has been done. Also it saves the enormous amount of interest paid over the life of the obligations." Thousands of Mississippi Baptists share Bro. Speed's hope and desire. This is especially true of our laymen who have had to pay almost all of our enormous debt and interest. The personnel of the Convention is very largely preachers.

Bro. Speed is a layman and expresses the hope and desire of 99 per cent of our laymen. If our Convention goes back into debt it will be by the vote of the preachers and not by our good laymen. It looks now as if our debts will soon be paid in full, interest and all. It took a world wide war to bring an era of prosperity which has enabled us to pay our debts. We have no assurance our debts would have ever been paid if it had not been for this terrible war with all of its suffering, bloodshed and burdensome national debt.

Shall we go back in debt and wait for another war to enable us to pay it? The answer lies with our pastors, not with the laymen. Brother Speed speaks for the laymen.

—BR— HAS A YOUNG PEOPLE'S PRAYER MEETING

The Hollandale church has had a young people's prayer service each week for some time under the leadership of Miss Callie D. Chism. Thursday night is now set aside as young people's night. One half hour is given to prayer service under the direction of Miss Chism and the same amount of time to choir practice with Miss Natalie Traxler, director. One hour is given for games and fun under the leadership of Mrs. E. A. Currey and her helpers. The deacons granted a liberal sum for refreshments each week, and the W. M. S. will have a social committee each week to prepare these refreshments. The Juniors, Intermediates and Young People all meet together for prayer service, then go to their respective places for choir practice, the Juniors to themselves, and the Intermediates and Young people together. This same division is followed in the recreation. The programs are well planned, and the purpose is to give the young people of the church a wholesome, well-balanced social life. The purpose of the social hour is to give them more fun than they could possibly have at any other place during one hour. They all respond in a fine way.—J. B. Smith, pastor.

—BR—
Rev. and Mrs. Percy M. Cooper of Jackson are deeply grateful to the members of Southside Baptist Church and the many friends and relatives whose prayers and kind expressions of sympathy helped to sustain them in the loss of their infant son, Percy M., Jr.

Dr. Norman W. Cox, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Meridian, by request, preached in special evangelistic meetings there October 1-8. The meeting was well supported by the congregation and there was a total of 33 additions.

In Memoriam

TO FANNIE — SLEEPING

Beloved Child—
They ask me to write about you.
Not yet. . . . You are still so near
that I can only speak to you.

"God moves in a mysterious way."
... It has not come out as you and
I had planned. You have gone first.

Hear Him say, "I go to prepare a
place for you." ... "I will come
again and receive you unto Myself."
Because your place was ready, you
hastened away. . . .

We do not know much about your
place, except from a negative point
of view. . . . You see we could not
have understood, if its glorious were
translated unto us. . . .

"There shall be no night there."
... No hours of darkness and sleep-
lessness and unrest. How well you
knew them here! How often you
rolled and tossed and wished for the
day! But nobody guessed next morn-
ing when your bright face smiled on
the world, waiting for your message.

There shall be no pain there. . .
How thankful I am that you have left
all pain behind! If pain is an angel,
how close to your side she has walked
these past several years! But you
wrapped your cloak of silence around
you both, and nobody knew, even
when you were suffering most. You
stood before your hungry hearted
women and taught them the things
that satisfy. . . . The Angel Pain left
you completely last night when you
turned over and fell asleep in the
arms of Jesus. . . .

There shall be no sorrow there. . .
"God shall wipe away all tears
from their eyes." . . . Pain and sor-
row were so closely united in your
life that to speak of one recalls the
other. . . . If your physical hurt had
been your only pain, the deep call on
your bravery would not have been so
great. Dear child as I look back
upon it your courage seems un-
speakable. . . .

And so few knew! So very few!
As you stood before your waiting
listeners, with your face beaming with
radiance, they said, "How happy she
is." . . .

And you were happy, because you
were serving. . . .

You do not find any war where you
have gone!

You have reached the Land of
Everlasting Rest and Peace. . . .

Your Book of Life is closed. . . .
Time has sealed its clasps and placed
it upon the Shelf of Years. And this
was done even as you had "reached
the peak of your wonderful work,"
as we behold it. . . .

Truly God works in a mysterious
way!

But always in such a gentle, tender,
loving way, that makes the mystery
of it magical. . . .

He knows the moment that your
nights have been long enough; your
pain and sorrow sufficient to make
you "perfect through suffering," and
your services in His sight complete.
"Christ in You—the Hope of Glory."

We are not grieving, Beloved Child.
Just lonely. . . .
Good night. . . .
Soon we shall bid you an everlast-
ing GOOD MORNING.

M. M. LACKEY.

October 26, 1944.



MISS FANNIE TRAYLOR

At the close of the day, October 25,
1944, with a faint smile upon her lips,
Frances Traylor entered into a more
abundant, eternal life. Her passing
marked the close of nearly thirty
years of outstanding official service
for Baptist Woman's Missionary
Union of Mississippi.

An evaluation of her fruitful min-
istry would take into account a Chris-
tian home, early conversion and
affiliation with the church, and a
loyal devotion to all its activities.

A persistent urge to dedicate her life
wholly to her Master, led to a season
of preparation at Blue Mountain Col-
lege and later to Woman's Missionary
Union Training School, Louisville,
Ky.; these contacts with fine spiritual
leaders gave to her purpose a broad-
ening vision, an enlarged experience
and an ever-mounting faith.

When her native state called her to
take up the direction of their Baptist
Young People's organizations, she
was ready for the task. Fifteen years
of consecrated, wise service in this
field gave to Mississippi youth an
enthusiasm, an intelligent conception
of their opportunities and capabilities,
which developed a growth that chal-
lenged other states.

When called to take the larger task
of Executive Secretary, following the
resignation of Miss Margaret Lackey,
she brought to the new responsibility
a seasoned experience, a disciplined
mind, a sane judgment, an unflin-
ging faith and a radiant hope.

To her fellow laborers she was an
inspiration, a patient counsellor, a
sympathetic, understanding friend.

To all whom her influence and ef-
fort reached she is a cherished mem-
ory, a challenge to high endeavor.

And now "He giveth His beloved
sleep," and her works do follow her

TRIBUTE TO MISS FRANCES TRAYLOR

P. I. Lipsey

Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do,
do it with thy might. Eccl. 9:10. All
scriptures are best interpreted by a
life, a life lived in conformity with
and in fulfillment of the word. It
was for this reason that the Word
became flesh and dwelt among us.
"No man hath seen God at any time;
the only begotten Son, who is in the
bosom of the Father, he hath dis-
closed him"—interpreted, dramatized,
exegeted him.

There is one passage of scripture
which Miss Fannie Traylor fulfilled,
filled out in life: "Whatsoever thy
hand findeth to do, do it with thy
might." She found her task under
the direction of our Heavenly Father,
and gave herself to it without reserva-
tion, without sparing herself. Her
every moment was given to it; her
every motion timed to it, and every
emotion attuned to it. I have never
seen anyone who was a better expres-
sion of coordinated and well directed
energy. Her office and mine were
adjoining for many years. I never
saw her idle for five minutes. Her
mind and her fingers were the ex-
pression of consecrated energy. One's
very footsteps are a revelation of
character and purpose. When she

walked down the hall in the Baptist
Building, there was a quickness, an
alertness about her step which was
distinctive of her. She put all that
she had into her work.

And this work was without confu-
sion or uncertainty. Hers was "the
wisdom that cometh down from
above; first pure, then peaceable,
gentle, easy to be entreated, full of
mercy and good fruits, impartial, un-
critical." I have never seen her flus-
tered or embarrassed, either in her
office or before a congregation. Like
Paul she had learned in every state to
be self sufficient. This busy life
made a joyous life. James said, "They
shall be happy in the doing," and
she demonstrated it. I was with her
often and never saw five minutes pass
that she did not have a smile that
set others at rest and spread its con-
tagion. Everybody shared it and was
blessed by it. My wife and I were
with her a few hours before she
passed away, and I have never seen
her more cheerful than then. To be
oppressed seemed impossible to her.

The secret of it all was that she
was anointed of the Holy Spirit for
such a life and for her special ser-
vice. This gave her interest in and
made her helpful toward people of
all classes and of different races. It
made her room the gathering place
for the departments at Baptist Head-
quarters when the hour for the prayer
meeting came. It seemed the appro-
priate place to meet. Her spirit gave
quality to the prayer hour.

It followed of necessity that her la-
bors were abundantly fruitful. Her
work was systematized to the last
degree. It was always prepared be-
fore hand. There were seasons for
special efforts and special emphasis.
Each came in its own time and order,
and was finished without confusion or
overlapping. We all know that the
organization with which she worked
is one of the best articulated and
most effective in all our Christian en-
deavor. But an organization does not
work unless there is a vigorous per-
sonality and great spiritual force
within it. When Ezekiel saw the vision
of God as a mighty working, compli-
cated force in the world, with wheels
within wheels, he said, "The Spirit
of the Living One was in the wheels."
There must be someone all alive
within the organization.

The Book tells us that "The Lord
was with Joseph and he was a pros-
perous man." This was the secret
also of her efficiency. The develop-
ment of the work of the Woman's
Mission Union is the marvel of South-
ern Baptists. Their contribution to
the Kingdom has meant millions in
dollars to our work. But it can not
be measured in dollars. New types
of work have been projected; new
spirit put into all our people. A large
part of it must be credited to Miss
Fannie Traylor, who for thirty years
served the Baptist women and young
people of Mississippi. Surely, like
Esther, she came to the Kingdom for
such a time as this.

MOURN PASSING OF MISS TRAYLOR

(Continued from Page One)
But after consultation, the doctors began talking of an operation, saying that she would continue to have these flare-ups more frequently unless the bladder was removed. She wanted the operation and urged it. After her death the doctor said, "Her enthusiasm for the operation was the deciding factor in our decision." All of this time she had been in the finest spirits, laughing, talking, up combing her hair, even making her bed the day of the operation! She never looked better in her life than she did during the hospital experience.

Some meetings (district) had been planned to begin Tuesday, October 24. She wanted her associates to go ahead, so Mrs. Brame, state W. M. U. president, came to help. She was interested in and concerned about the meetings. Miss Edwina Robinson, State Young People's leader, saw her Tuesday afternoon after the meeting. Nothing definite had been decided about the operation and she wanted them to "make haste so she would be one day nearer getting well." After the Brookhaven meeting on Wednesday Miss Robinson hastened home and a little after 4 was in her room at the hospital. She was laughing, talking and asking about the meeting.

After the operation was over at 6 o'clock, the surgeon said that she stood the operation well, took the anesthetic all right and her condition was good. Around nine o'clock she began having difficulty breathing. Her doctor, the nurse and her niece, Nettie Ree, were in the room. Her doctor told her to breathe through her mouth, she looked up (semi-conscious) and smiled and breathed, in a moment had slipped away—so easy, so sweetly!

The funeral service on Friday, October 27, was a benediction to all. The blanket, a mass of beautiful white flowers, with touches of lavender ribbon, was placed by the Mississippi Woman's Missionary Union. The many, many flowers in all their color gave expression to the fragrance and beauty of her life. As the procession filed in, the organist played "Jesus Shall Reign" and "Jesus Calls Us." A sextet sang "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross." Dr. McCall read the 23rd Psalm and led in prayer. Her pastor, Dr. Bowen, said in his brief comments that as he thought of Miss Traylor, one verse stood out in his thinking, "Verily I say unto you, Whosoever this gospel shall be preached throughout the whole world, this also that she hath done shall be spoken of for a memorial to her." He paid tribute to Miss Traylor as a church member. As the soloist sang "Watchman, Tell Us of the Night," we could almost hear Miss Traylor telling the traveler of The Way of "blessedness and light and peace and truth." Dr. P. I. Lipsey, who had been associated with her during most of these nearly thirty years of her service in Mississippi, spoke most fittingly. The sextet sang "Abide With Me" and as the procession left the church the organist played "Lead On O King Eternal."

Many individuals and groups had called saying that, instead of sending flowers they wanted to give money to be used in some tangible way as a

PASTORS' AND LAYMEN'S CONFERENCE CONVENES NOVEMBER 13

(Continued on Page Ten)

the Work of the Baptist Foundation"—Leland Speed, Jackson.

8:30—"The Present and Future of Missions in China"—J. H. Ware.

Tuesday Morning, November 14

9:30—Song Period—C. R. Haire.

9:45—"A Church Program For These Times"—C. E. Marston, minister of education, Pascagoula.

10:05—"The Church's Message For These Times"—C. J. Smyly, of Blue Mountain.

10:25—"The Kind of Pastor I Want for These Times"—Bryant Young, Sardis, Miss.

10:45—"The King of Laymen Needed for These Times"—"Jimmie" Sullivan, Brookhaven.

11:05—Election of Officers and Announcements.

11:20—"Training Men for the Future"—Dr. Duke McCall, president, B. B. I.

—BR—

WEST LAUREL BROTHERHOOD URGE STATE BROTHERHOOD SECRETARY

1. Whereas, there are many unenlisted Baptist men in our state, and
2. Whereas, states having Brotherhood secretaries show signs of having increased enlisted manpower, and
3. Whereas, the results of having state departments to promote other activities of the church such as Sunday school, Training Union and even W. M. U. are evidence enough to show the power and force of the existence of state organizations,

Be it therefore resolved, that the West Laurel Baptist Brotherhood go on record as favoring the creation of a Brotherhood department headed by a full time secretary to promote the Brotherhood movement throughout our state, and that we petition the state Baptist Convention in its annual session in Jackson, Mississippi, November 14 to 16 to give prayerful consideration to the creation of such a department.

RICHARD HUGHES, President.

—BR—

The Mississippi Church Council for Narcotic Education through its director, Miss Louise Calcote, has taught courses this summer to more than 450 young people. Her services are available to your church and community.

memorial to her—this to be decided by those who labored with her.

Miss Traylor had been connected with Mississippi Woman's Missionary Union since 1915. She served 15 years as Young People's leader, and when Miss Margaret Lackey, Executive Secretary, retired in 1930 because of age, Miss Traylor became Executive Secretary, and was recognized as one of the outstanding secretaries of the Southwide W. M. U.

Under her leadership Woman's Missionary Union in Mississippi has experienced remarkable spiritual and material growth.

In connection with her other duties Miss Traylor had also done outstanding work among the colored women, with special summer work, and was looking eagerly forward to their having a special full time worker at no distant date. Her faith inspired her to believe such would be the case.

Miss Traylor attended Blue Mountain College, and was a graduate of W. M. U. Baptist Training School, Louisville, Ky.

NOW CLUB

DOUBLING THE FIVE THOUSAND CLUB

A Debtless Denomination Before 1945

HONESTY - LOYALTY - VICTORY

I

Boys, girls, and leaders at the Mississippi Baptist Orphanage gave \$100 to the Now Club which is more than some "great big" Baptist churches as a whole, have given. They are aiming at \$50 for State Missions at this season.

We read in the Bible, "a little child shall lead them."

We have been clearing some old files to make space available for new records. Brother, if you are inclined to vote Christ's dollars away carelessly, rob one department to help another, usher in another "debt spree"—just don't do it until you have waded through the grief expressed in the jeremiads of these files.

Also, our colleges and seminaries (and high schools) should speed up courses in Christian ethics with an occasional reference to the so-called Golden Rule. Jesus in Matthew 7:12. Chaplain Eugene Farr, somewhere in France, sends \$10 for the Now Club.

II

We heard Miss Traylor say over and over again, "I hope to live to see Mississippi Baptists debts paid." She failed to see this by about one month of time. More Mississippi Baptists need to speed up support, giving to all the work of the Lord Jesus.

Doubtless Mrs. Pressgrove, one of our very fine district chairwomen, who passed away months ago, felt she would like to live to see Mississippi Baptists free of debt. Many others feel the same way. The fine thing about it is that it is very likely that such news may "break" on earth and in heaven about a month from now. Let us speedily make this a reality.

III

John D. Davis, Greenville, president of the Convention Board, reminds us in the following words that that agency is not only free of debt now, but it has incurred no indebtedness in the past, at least in recent years. Mr. Davis says:

"Throughout the years our Convention Board has operated within its budget and, therefore, has each year come to the Convention without any debts. Again this year, our expenditures will show to be well within our income."

V

Mr. Davis adds "The Education Commission has been in debt more than 20 years, having issued bonds for endowing our colleges in 1923. On January 1, 1939, we owed \$542,100.00. Through the Five Thousand Club and the Now Club we have reduced this debt to less than \$25,000. If all the churches would send in all monies on hand to reach the Convention Board office by the 10th of November, I believe we can come to the Convention this year entirely free of debt. Then the Convention could look to 1945 optimistically, praying that Mississippi Baptists might sweep our great state for Christ."

KNOW YOUR BIBLE

QUIZ QUESTIONS FOR TEACHER AND CLASS

(Answers on Page Fifteen)

1. In Acts 1:19, "The field of blood" is referred to. Why was a certain field known by the above name?

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2. Advertising is one of our most important enterprises. What does the Bible say about advertising?

...

3. If someone should ask you to explain in detail, the meaning of the word "Amen," how would you answer the question?

...

4. Today we have many denominational churches. Of all these, which was the first church of the Gentiles?

FOR THE SAKE OF THE RECORD

Does anyone in the house recall the presidential election of 1928? And do you happen to go back in memory to the chapter in that campaign devoted to the abuse of those of us who could not stomach the moral issues involved, particularly the question of liquor? And how the cry went up that the church should never, under any circumstances, even on moral questions, allow itself to be involved in politics? Remember that?

All right. And now for the sake of the record.

I don't know about other preachers. I haven't heard one of them mention it. But for weeks I have been receiving telegrams and letters from the Religious Associates of the National Citizens Political Action Committee, Shelton Hotel, New York 17, N. Y., urging me to serve on the speaker's bureau, to scatter literature, etc., etc.

I have two letters in today's mail (October 23, 1944) signed by the Rev. Dr. Dwight J. Bradley, who appears to be the generalissimo of this wing of the PAC. I observe that the letterhead reads:

"National Citizens Political Action Committee—A Non-Partisan Organization for the Election of Franklin D. Roosevelt and a Progressive Congress."

I quote a sentence from Brother Bradley's letter, dated October 16, 1944:

"Since they (Religious Associates) are certain that all social action to be effective must ultimately find expression in political action, the Religious Associates are committed to the program of the National Citizens Political Action Committee. This means supporting Mr. Roosevelt," etc., etc.

I am not here concerned about Mr. Roosevelt. I am merely calling attention to the facts in the case for the sake of the record. And has anyone heard of any of our orthodox politicians or newspaper editors tearing their shirts about preachers and politics?

"It all depends," some impertinent wag is certain to interpose.

LOUIE D. NEWTON.

—BR—

The Orphanage has some 30 boys and girls attending high school in the city of Jackson. Your Thanksgiving offering will help to supply food, clothing and necessary school supplies for this group.

Make Friends Through The Pages Of The Baptist Record

GOING PLACES

Let's Make It Forty-five
by Convention Time.

Fort Bayou Church is EVERY FAMILY

Mrs. Hubert Mallette of Fort Bayou church, Jackson county, writes that her church has adopted the EVERY FAMILY Plan. She enclosed a list of 18 names. This church thus becomes another of the growing list of informed Baptists.

Jackson county readers are listed as follows: EAST MOSS POINT 76; ESCATAWPA 46; GAUTIER 23; KREOLE 38; MOSS POINT 73; OCEAN SPRINGS 23; PASCAGOULA FIRST 341; RED CREEK 21; VAN CLEAVE 12; WADE 33; Belfontaine 2; FORT BAYOU 21; WATTS MEMORIAL 164; Magnolia 6; UNITY 44; Sulphur Springs 1.

A Good Idea

Recently we received the following letter: "I am enclosing \$1.00. Please send The Baptist Record to my husband for as long as it pays and when it is out if he is still over there I will send more."

We suggest this as a good plan to other wives and mothers whose husbands and sons are in the service. Their sons and husbands will appreciate receiving The Baptist Record.

An Ideal Birthday Present

Mrs. Wallace Parnell writes enclosing a check and asks that The Baptist Record be sent as a birthday present to her brother who is in the Navy and in the Pacific. May we say this is a good plan for others to follow?

Oak Grove Is In

Oak Grove church, Simpson county, is another church that believes in informed Baptists and to prove it they sent a \$13 check and 13 names.

Other churches listed in Simpson county and their Record readers are as follows: ANTIOCH 11; BRAXTON 46; COATS 16; D'Lo 12; FORK 40; Goodwater 16; HARRISVILLE 56; Juniper 8; MAGEE 95; MENDENHALL 96; MT. ZION 90; NEW ZION 18; OAK GROVE 20; PALESTINE 20; PINE GROVE 25; Dry Creek 6; PINOLA 53; PLEASANT HILL 51; Pleasant Valley 9; Poplar Springs 2; Sanatorium 2; SHIVERS 34; Siloam 2; STONEWALL 27; STRONG RIVER 30; Weathersby 6; MACEDONIA 71; SPRING HILL 12; County Line 1; Athens 1.

Askew Sends Ten Names

Robert Jennings, Sunday school superintendent of Askew church, Panola county, believes in having informed Baptists in his Sunday school. He recently sent a list of ten names and \$10 to pay for the EVERY FAMILY Plan in his Sunday school. We suggest this as a good plan for other Sunday school superintendents.

Panola county has Record readers listed as follows: BATESVILLE 60; COMO 18; COURTLAND 13; CRENshaw 24; Easley Memorial 10; ENON 40; GOOD HOPE 15; LIBERTY HILL 61; Longtown 8; McIvor 1; PEACH CREEK 53; PILGRIM'S REST 17; PHARSALIA 15; POPE 20; SARDIS 43; TOCOWA 21; Curtis 3; CROWDER 78; Lock Station 4.

Shiloh Sends List

Brother J. G. Garrett of Shiloh church, Alcorn county, sends a nice club of eight subscriptions. The list had initials of Enlistment Pastor J. B. Ray on it, so we suspect he was helpful in this matter.

Alcorn county now has Record readers listed as follows: First Corinth 12; HINKLE CREEK 41; Kemps Chapel 3; KOSSUTH 44; Liberty Hill 2; RIENZI 43; TATE STREET 63; TISHOMINGO CHAPEL 35; WEST CORINTH 41; ANTIOCH 18; Jacinto 10; Lovejoy 2; Cross Road 1; GLENDALE 25; Wheeler Grove 1; Mt. Hebron 1; NEW PROSPECT 21; Shiloh 8.

Gaston Church Sends List

One of the latest churches to send a list to The Baptist Record is Gaston church of Prentiss county. This list was sent by Mrs. W. P. Stutts of Rt. 3, Rienze. More and more Mississippi churches are learning the value of informed Baptists and are turning to The Baptist Record as their source.

Prentiss county Record readers are now listed as follows: Booneville 7; MT. OLIVE 25; OSBURN CREEK 36; Pine Grove 2; Pleasant Grove 2; Thrasher 1; WHEELER 23; Baldwin 1; GASTON 13.

Wood Leads Church to Adopt EVERY FAMILY Plan

Rev. W. H. Wood, a firm believer in The Baptist Record, was recently called as pastor of Clear Springs church, Smith county. One of the first things he did was to explain to them the EVERY FAMILY Plan and they enthusiastically adopted it.

Smith county now has Record readers listed as follows: Burns 1; Homewood 9; LEAF RIVER 95; LORENA 34; MIZE 24; Oak Grove 9; POLKVILLE 28; Raleigh 70; ROCKY HILL 12; SYLVARENA 46; TAYLORSVILLE 55; White Oak 3; Wilkerson Memorial 2; Sardis 1; Clear Creek 2; Sharon 1; FELLOWSHIP 29; PLEASANT HILL 21; Mt. Pleasant 11; TED 27, BETHEL 10.

Tidwell's Church Comes In

Rev. D. S. Tidwell recently led his church, Martin, in Union county, to make The Baptist Record a part of its program. A list of 18 subscriptions has been received. Pastor Tidwell has learned that "Informed Baptists are better Baptists."

Union county now has Record readers listed as follows: AMAZIAN 20, CENTER 45, Blue Springs 6, GLENFIELD 34, MYRTLE 43, NEW ALBANY FIRST 318, NEW HARMONY 44, Oak Grove 1, WALLERVILLE 39, Unity 1, Macedonia 10, ELLISTOWN 51, NEELY MEMORIAL 13, Shady Grove 1, ENTERPRISE 47, PLEASANT HILL 14, Pleasant Ridge 1, MARTIN 18.

Columbus Association

Pastor Joe Abrams and Mt. Vernon church did an above the average job in entertaining the Columbus Association. That dinner table was a sight to behold. Mt. Vernon is one of Mississippi's better country churches. They have a nice brick building with a basement and Sunday school rooms. Nearby is the pastor's home with several acres of land.

We regret that the names of the officers elected have not yet reached the Record office. Rev. W. L. Marsh served most acceptably as moderator and saw that all objects got a good hearing.

One of the best and most-informing W. M. U. reports we have heard this fall was given by Mrs. J. D. Franks.

We enjoyed doing triple duty by speaking for The Baptist Record, the

DENOMINATIONAL CALENDAR

November

Final Now Club Victory Month.
Pastors' and Laymen's Conference—November 13.
State Convention Mississippi Baptists—November 14-16.
Every Member Canvass—1945 Budget.
Appreciation Month.
Offering—Baptist Orphanage.
Special Thanksgiving Program in All Churches.
Baptist Record Month.
Cooperative Program Emphasis.
Tithes and Offerings.
Daily Bible Readings.
Mississippi Baptists! Debt FREE!—1944.
S. S.—Building Sunday School Attendance.
W. M. U.—R. A. Focus Week—November 5-10.
Preparation for Foreign Mission Season of Prayer.
B. T. U.—Appreciation Month—Special Recognition of Groups or Individuals.
Special Thanksgiving Programs.
State Workers Available for Banquets, Special Programs or Enlargement Campaigns.
Associational Officers and Leaders' Conferences.

Convention Board and Associational Missions.

Lowndes county is rapidly becoming one of our best Baptist Record counties. Readers are now listed as follows: ARTESIA 16, CALVARY 38, Columbus First 64; EAST END 71, Mayhew 9, MT. VERNON 48, PLEASANT HILL 41, New Salem 1, MT. ZION 22, Kolola Springs 11.

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DEBTS ALMOST GONE!

In 1939 Southwide debts totalled \$3,171,813.27. These debts were completed in 1943.

In 1939 the various State Conventions had debts in the amount of \$14,970,627.81. Most of this indebtedness has been paid.

The story follows:

In December 1939 Dr. Austin Cranch wrote the State Secretaries for a list of State indebtedness. This was for the purpose of presenting a complete debt picture, both southwide and statewide. Later this compilation was mailed out. We recently ran across a copy. Southwide debts were as follows:

SOUTHWIDE DEBTS

Foreign Mission Board	\$ 260,000.00
Home Mission Board	1,064,818.41
Southern Baptist Theological Seminary	412,000.00
Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary	492,816.27
Baptist Bible Institute	192,178.59
American Baptist Theological Seminary	1,055.00
Southern Baptist Convention (Bonds)	539,000.00
Southern Baptist Hospital	280,553.00
	\$3,171,813.27

STATE DEBTS

Alabama	\$ 673,000.00
Arkansas	150,000.00
Florida	156,622.62
Georgia	233,000.00
Illinois	None
Kentucky	315,918.00
Louisiana	249,192.22
MISSISSIPPI	910,958.81
Missouri	880,083.11
Maryland	None
North Carolina	659,000.00
Oklahoma	143,050.00
South Carolina	425,650.00
Tennessee	372,445.94
Texas	2,695,000.00
Virginia	453,250.00
	\$ 8,316,420.70

While the books for the Convention Board for October have not been balanced at this writing, we feel rather certain that Mississippi Baptists indebtedness will stand at approximately \$20,000.00 as of November 1st. (We owed a little over \$36,000 as of October 1.) We could pay this by Convention time if we wanted to badly enough.

MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST CONVENTION BOARD

Department Of New Club

Box 530, Jackson, 105, Mississippi

1944 Annual Report of--- Mississippi College To The Mississippi Baptist Convention

The past year at Mississippi College has been one of usual activity and interest. A unit of the V-12 Navy Program was established on our campus in July 1943 and a sustained attendance of around 350 students in uniform has been on the campus ever since. These men have been taking regular college work, which constitutes their basic training preparatory to becoming Naval officers. A complement of some fifteen or more officers have direct supervision of these men, but they have their class work and extra-curricular activities along with the regular civilian students. The present commanding officer of the unit is an active member of the Baptist church.

Enrollment

The total enrollment at Mississippi College for the past year was 875, divided as follows: Navy V-12 trainees, 603; girls, 142; civilian boys, 130. The personnel of the Navy changes periodically and the average number in attendance at any one time was about 550. The total number of students enrolled to date (October 15) in the current session is 524. Of these, 331 are in the Navy unit and 193 are civilians. In the civilian group, 90 are men and 103 are women. Fifty-one ministerial students are enrolled. During the period under review, sixty students have been graduated, and 204 of the Navy students have been certificated to Officer Training Schools and 159 to advanced V-12 training in other institutions.

Mississippi College doubtless faces greater opportunities today than ever before in its long history of 118 years. The Government's G. I. Bill will put many war veterans in college after the war and Mississippi College should get her share. Some have already enrolled. New courses are being offered, which should attract many. The faculty and Board of Trustees have already begun a study of our offerings, looking toward a revision of the curriculum. It is desired that the work given here meet the needs of the students and serve more effectively the denomination and the cause for which it stands. For our girls new courses are being introduced. A course in Home Economics was begun this term. A music faculty has been employed, which will soon put the Music Department on a par with the best in the country. We want soon to be able to give back to the churches trained music and choir directors and religious educational directors as well as pastors, Sunday school superintendents, and others in increasing numbers.

Buildings and Equipment

The Navy requirements have enabled us to put the buildings in better condition than they have been since they were first built. The equipment also has been enhanced. The endowment is gradually being increased. The college and the alumni association are practically debt free. The Board of Ministerial Education is out of debt and has a fund started for building new apartments for married ministerial students. The Clinton Baptist Church is out of debt and is

laying by a fund for an educational building and student center. The State Convention Board will soon be out of debt and funds now used for debt-paying can be turned into Christian education channels. Mississippi College has not shared in the distribution of funds of the Co-operative Program for over twenty years. With the denominational debt out of the way, Mississippi College will begin to receive her share of Co-operative Program receipts accruing to Christian education.

Financial

The financial report of Mississippi College will be found under the report of the auditor in the Education Commission Report. The report covers three terms of sixteen weeks each, which represents a year and a half of college work. You will note that we continue to operate within our income.

A number of substantial gifts have been made to the college since the last assembly of the Convention, the largest being from the Feild Co-Operative Association, in the settlement of the indebtedness of the alumni association of Mississippi College, which was achieved through the splendid attitude and co-operation of Mr. B. B. Jones, president, and Miss S. Frances Sale, secretary-treasurer, of the Feild Co-operative Association. The college is deeply grateful for this fine contribution.

The total gifts and increases in special funds for the past year are as follows:

Gifts

Feild Co-Operative Association	\$121,856.49
R. M. and T. M. Hederman	5,000.00
Patterson Memorial Fund	8,185.52
Leland Speed Fund	1,000.00
Administration Building Fund	553.00
First Trust Co.—O. B. Taylor Student Loan Fund	312.00
A. A. Kitchings Scholarship Fund	252.00
Bank of Clinton—in settlement of Alumni Association note	4,732.00

Other Increases

J. V. May Scholarship Fund, through oil lease on land	2,327.25
Administration Building fund, through oil lease on land	20,000.00

TOTAL\$164,218.26

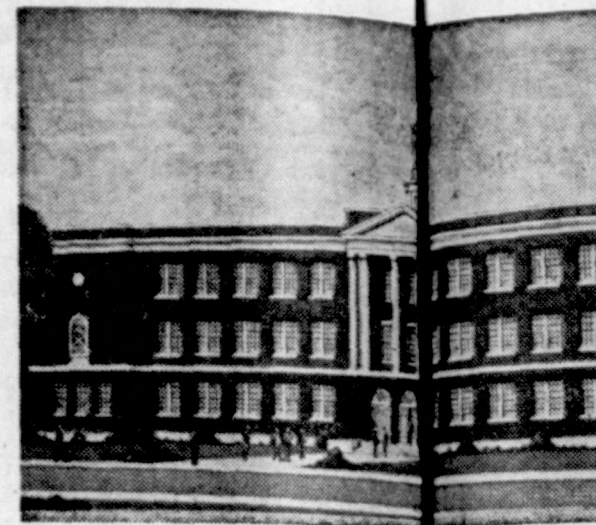
Field Agent

has been chosen as field representative to carry the cause of Christian education in general and Mississippi College in particular to our people. He will also interest our constituency in the M. O. Patterson Chair of Bible and Evangelism. He is available for appointments wherever and whenever his services are desired.

Dr. Bryan Simmons, of Laurel, Mississippi,

Needs

First, Mississippi College needs an Adminis-



Proposed Administration Building

tration Building. The administrative offices are crowded into the Science Building and are therefore, taking up space much needed by the over-crowded science departments. Also the room requirements prevent further expansion of our library. The entire Library Building should be devoted to library work. An Administration Building would not only give relief in these particulars, but would provide more modern classrooms, faculty and student offices, meeting places for the literary societies, a safe place to keep valuable papers and records, assembly hall and other uses. We can not grow any further without an Administrative Building. The cost of such a building is estimated at \$150,000.00. We already have in sight one-third of the amount, \$20,000.00 of which came from leasing mineral rights of the forty acre tract of land owned by the college in Marion county.

Second, we need a modern dormitory for our fine girls who elect to come to Mississippi College. The number of women students could be doubled with adequate housing facilities. Three Hillman buildings, which are now being used for dormitories, could be put to other use. Adelia Hall, with a little expense, could be converted into a music and dramatic building. The Lowrey building is well suited for Home Economics and Art. Institute Hall could easily be transformed into a commercial science building. The two modern brick cottages now used as dormitories can continue to be used as such.

We have an ideal situation here. The boys live on their campus; the girls on a separate campus where they can have their own organizations and activities, as well as have a part in the activities of the entire college. The social life is attractive and helpful. Young women have opportunities to get acquainted with the group of young men and to have dates with them under proper conditions. They learn to know personally young ministerial students by the hundreds, who will soon be pastors all over Mississippi and the South. They learn to know our present denominational leaders as well as the future ones. Many of these leaders now live in Clinton. Young men also profit by the refining influences of the young ladies. Since they are on separate campuses, they are not together enough to retard mutual respect. The tendency to become over-enchanted is always discouraged. Under the present arrangement, therefore, we have all of the advantages of co-education and none of the disadvantages; also we are able to meet the demands of some of our long Baptist people, who want to send their daughters along with their sons to Mississippi College. The cost of adequate dormitory space for our girls is estimated at \$150,000.00.

T. M. H.
J. H. S.
D. M. N.

Mississippi College

IN FOUR BRIEF CHAPTERS -- By D. M. NELSON, President

Chapter I—Its Past

MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE was founded in 1826 as Hampstead Academy. Its name was changed in 1827 to Mississippi Academy, and in 1830 to Mississippi College, which name it still bears.

It was operated by interested citizens of the Clinton community until 1842. For a while it received some state financial support. When it became evident it needed a constituency with a wider appeal, it was offered to the Presbyterians, who operated the college until 1850. It was then turned back to the citizens of the community, who offered it free from debt to Mississippi Baptists who still own and operate it.

At first it was composed of two divisions, a male division and a female division. First degrees were conferred upon a class of girls in 1834. Diplomas in the form of a gold medalion were given. Some of them are still in existence.

The college has closed its doors only once; and that during the Civil War period, when the student body, some of the faculty and trustees went out in a company known as the Mississippi College Rifles to battle for state's rights and self-determination. Of the 104 who left the campus, only eight returned from the battlefields of Virginia.

Chapter II—Its Purpose

Mississippi College is primarily a liberal arts college under Christian auspices. It proposes to offer opportunity for an all-round development, for a complete education. It believes that it is more important to create at the fountain of life a noble purpose for living than it is to place in the hands of individuals tools for making a living; of far more value to develop Christian manhood and womanhood than merely make efficient machines. A person may acquire facts to an encyclopaedic completeness; but, if he is unaware of a central purpose in his mass of information directing him toward some worthy goal, his efforts and hence the efforts of the school will not be justified. He may be acquainted with the facts of science and human relationships, but he will not be educated, if he is self-centered and unresponsive to the call to noble living and fruitful service. Early in the history of Mississippi College its proponents raised some high aims and objectives. In the old records we find these significant statements:

1. "Our purpose is to raise a college to teach all that is to be learned in the departments of language and mathematics, in science and philosophy, and everything used as a channel of thought or an instrument of investigation, taking as a model the best portions of the best institutions of America. We will aspire to excellence, deeming it fit and proper to attempt great things."
2. "Our policy will be to make good character essential to entrance within the college and good conduct to continuance therein."
3. "Our desire is to educate youth, not merely to hear recitations; to teach the pupil to think as well as to remember; to improve the heart as well as the head."

While we have enlarged and expanded these aims and ideals, they are still central in our program and are still bearing fruit in the character and conduct of those who are privileged to study here.

Chapter III—Its Possessions

Mississippi College has a campus of some 200 acres. It has nine buildings, all of them built since 1900, except the Old Chapel, which was built in 1859. Its stateliness and architectural beauty remain the symbol of the best traditions and ideals of Mississippi College. The physical plant is valued at three-quarters of a million dollars. Its endowment assets consist of bonds and real estate valued at \$700,000.00. Its library consists of 30,000 choice books, its scientific equipment is valued at forty or fifty thousand

dollars. It has a faculty of twenty-eight teachers, all specialists in their chosen fields. In normal times it has a student body of 500. It has a list of former students and alumni running up into the thousands, scattered to the ends of the earth. Some are missionaries; some preachers, teachers, doctors, lawyers, judges, governors; some are United States senators, congressmen, business men, farmers. The great majority of them, of high and low estate, are serving their generation in an acceptable and worthwhile manner.

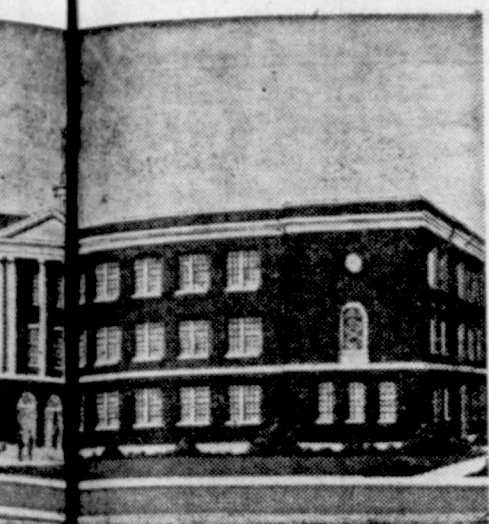
Mississippi College has a democratic spirit. It has only one fraternity—the Mississippi College fraternity. Its motto could appropriately be "Each for the other and all for God." It has high standards. Mississippi College is a member of the Southern Association of Colleges, and is on the approved list of the Association of American Universities. Its credits, therefore, are acceptable at face value everywhere. Mississippi College has the lowest tuition rate of any Southern Baptist college. This is made possible by giving no rebates or discounts on tuition. The tuition at Mississippi College per session of nine months is \$132.00, while the tuition at other Southern Baptist Colleges ranges from \$150.00 to \$180.00. Children of faculty members, children of ministers, and ministerial students all pay the same tuition as others do. The Board of Ministerial Education, an agency of the Mississippi Baptist Convention, helps needy and deserving ministerial students; and the college uses needy and worthy students in what work it has to do in its operation, which they are able to do, thus helping those get an education who are willing to help themselves. Hundreds have gone through Mississippi College through this self-help plan.

Chapter IV—Its Prospect

Mississippi College envisions a student body of a thousand choice, forward-looking ambitious young men and women on its campus, with an enlarged and capable faculty, with a revised and strengthened curriculum, with a reconsecration and rededication of all to the glorious task of furnishing the salt which will preserve and strengthen our democratic institutions; and the heaven which will lighten society and the light which will enlighten the world.

It is the ambition of the present Board of Trustees, administration, and faculty to make Mississippi College more and more responsive to the needs of the denomination and to the requirements of the choice young people who choose to study within her halls. In order to do this more adequately, there are some outstanding needs which we present to its constituency:

1. **THERE IS NEED OF AN ADMINISTRATION BUILDING.** While Mississippi College is the oldest college in the state, it is the only college that does not have an administration building for the administrative offices. Valuable and needed space in the Science building is having to be used for this purpose; and valuable space in the Library building is having to be used for class rooms. Class rooms are inadequate. We have no rest rooms and office rooms for faculty and students. No adequate and convenient assembly halls for various activities of students and faculty are available. An administration building will supply all these needs.
2. **WE NEED MODERN DORMITORIES** for the young women who elect to come to Mississippi College. They deserve the best. Mississippi Baptists can not afford to give them less.
3. **WE NEED SEVERAL ENDOWED DEPARTMENTS** honoring the name and memory of the great teachers who have wrought here. Some have already been suggested. The M. O. Patterson Chair of Bible and Evangelism, which has already gotten off to a good start without much effort; the Provine Chair of Chemistry, the Aven-Latimer Chair of Ancient Languages, the Sharp Chair of Mathematics, the Eager Chair of English, and others might be mentioned. Mississippi College needs an endowment of at least a million dollars.
4. **Because of low interest rates on endowment investments, a MONTHLY ALLOCATION FROM THE CO-OPERATIVE PROGRAM** is an urgent need. This would hold the college close to the denomination and insure ample funds for effective operation.



Admission Building

The third need is more endowment. Interest on invested funds have been cut in half. This can partly be met by increasing the corpus of the endowment. The completion of endowment of the Chair of Bible and Evangelism in memory of Dr. M. O. Patterson will be a long step in the desired direction. It is also suggested that the J. W. Provine Chair of Chemistry and Aven-Latimer Chair of Ancient Languages be established and endowed. These three professorships of \$100,000.00 each would bring the corpus of the endowment up to a million dollars. Later other memorial professorships honoring other great teachers and benefactors could be established. Allocations from the Christian education fund of the Co-operative Program will also help to provide adequate amount for current operations to meet the new demands of the new day.

The fourth need is a campus full of choice students. For two years little effort has been made to secure students. In the first place, the hands of war were taking most of our young men. Then the 350 Navy trainees and the addition of the Hillman girls have kept the attendance up to capacity. As the number of Navy students decreases, more civilian students must be sought to keep the attendance up; and, as new buildings are made available, the enrollment can be increased to 800 or 1,000. These additions and improvements can be realized in five years. With the host of friends of the college under the leadership of our Heavenly Father, working together toward that worthy goal.

Prospectus

Mississippi College has a wonderful heritage. It has a fortunate location. It has a great faculty. Its influence and its reputation have reached around the world. Mississippi College stands at the door of its greatest opportunity. In order to meet it, these needs which have been enumerated must be supplied. We are asking the Convention to permit us to present the cause of our 118-year-old college to our people. We are asking our Convention to approve our program and to authorize the Board of Trustees to proceed with plans for its realization. We do not propose to embarrass any church, cause or agency. We do not propose to make a church-to-church campaign. We want only to present the college and its program to our people as we are invited into their churches and to solicit individuals who have means to invest in the cause of Christian education as so well represented by Mississippi College. We crave the co-operation of our entire Baptist constituency, the loyal support of alumni, former students and friends, and the abiding interest and prayers of all.

Sincerely yours,

T. M. HEDERMAN, President,
Board of Trustees,
J. H. STREET, Secretary,
Board of Trustees,
D. M. NELSON, President of the College.



Baptist Training Union

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AUBER J. WILDS, State Secretary
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MISS LOUISE HILL, Rural Emphasis
MISS NELLA DEAN MITCHELL, Office

VERSIL S. CRENSHAW

The Baptist Sunday School Board Training Union Department adds another worker to its staff. Mr. Versil S. Crenshaw, who for some years has



been associate Training Union secretary for the state of Virginia has been elected to the position of Intermediate director for the south. Mr. Crenshaw, during the years of service in Virginia has specialized in Intermediate work, has made a success of it, hence is well qualified for this southwide position. Intermediate workers and Intermediates themselves who have had the privilege of attending the assembly at Ridgecrest will remember Mr. Crenshaw, as he has served most acceptably in the Intermediate Conferences there. We of Mississippi welcome Mr. Crenshaw as he begins his new work, and covet the privilege and pleasure of having him often in Mississippi. Mr. Crenshaw succeeds Mr. Henry Rogers, who for several years has served so successfully in this position. Mr. Rogers has accepted the pastorate of the First Baptist Church, Lincolnton, N. C.

We are happy to report 1,164 awards issued in Mississippi for the Training Union Department for the month of September. These were divided as follows—Administration, 82; Adults, 273; Young People, 186; Intermediates, 200; Junior, 223. You will note the Adults led, and that is as it should be. Note the number for Young People. This proves we still have a strong Young People's Union work going. Congratulations to the Juniors for taking second place, and the study course is not a part of their standard requirement. The Intermediates are not lagging for their record is right up along with the others. During the month 45 newly organized unions asked for literature for the first quarter—nine Story Hours, eight Junior Unions, 10 Intermediate Unions, 10 Young People's Unions and eight Adult Unions. We are proud of this record. Such a record should continue until every church in the state has a Training Union.

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ADEQUATE FINANCIAL PROGRAM NEEDED

(Continued from Page One)

sources. Our actual earning power and money income. Can we get an estimate of this proposition? We have more than three hundred thousand Baptists in Mississippi. The per capita income of our people in the state is reasonably estimated at \$400.00 per annum. This will give Mississippi Baptists an aggregate income of from one hundred twenty to one hundred and fifty millions of dollars per year. A tithe of this income would place twelve or fifteen millions of dollars in our denominational work. Our 1943 contributions, for the local church and the benevolent and missionary work was about three millions of dollars. An individual contribution of about \$9.00 per capita per annual. This is near one-fourth of the Christian possibilities. Certainly we have come to the time when we must deal in terms of millions of dollars if we are to do the tasks set before us.

Mississippi Baptist promotional work, and institutional work, and educational work, and evangelistic work, and the local church program, demand that our leadership in every department of our church and missionary work approve an adequate financial budget to accomplish the overall tasks set for the Centennial Year of 1945.

E. D. HURST, Laurel, Miss.

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Under the leadership of Pastor William A. Petty, the First Baptist Church of Anchorage, Alaska, recently celebrated its first anniversary. The church has elected a complete set of officers for the new year and now reports 59 members.

Meridian, is a splendid booklet on this important doctrine. If you should desire copies for distribution they can be had from the author at 10c each, 15 copies \$1.00, 100 copies \$5.00, 200 or more \$4.00 a hundred.

Under the leadership of Mrs. Emily B. Griffith, director of First church, Laurel, the Training Union is putting the "Buz" in the B, "Talk" in the T, and "Umph" in the U. Mrs. Griffith has challenged the members to "talk" Training Union every day in the week and make their friends feel that they really enjoy Training Union. Short talks are planned for the evening services each Sunday. The pastor is happy to cooperate in this plan. The members will speak on "What the Union Means to Me." We know such an emphasis will help build a bigger and better Training Union.

Congratulations to Sumner and Webb churches, Rev. J. H. Pennebaker, pastor, for additional Training Union emphasis. Sumner elects J. C. Shanks as director, Mrs. Desaix Anderson, Junior leader; Miss Mary L. Mitchell, Intermediate leader. Webb elects Miss Annie G. Stanford as Intermediate leader. Brother Pennebaker is also pastor of Friendship No. 2 church in Tallahatche (where the district convention met last June), and they also have good Training Union work with Mr. Mayman Graves director.

Marshall county had a helpful Training Union program on the afternoon of October 8th. They chose the second Sunday in each quarter for their regular meetings. The Oct. 8th meeting was held in the Holly Springs church with a splendid attendance and a wonderful program. The program was varied with Juniors, Intermediates, Young People and Adults taking part on the program. Special music was an added feature. The next meeting will be at Sladen. Mr. J. B. Henderson, acting director, and Mrs. Rogers Puryear, secretary, will be responsible for the programs each quarter.

Thanks to Miss Evelyn Fancher, director of the Training Union, Louisville, for an inspiring report of the union there. 113 in attendance! A new set-up includes departments for each age grouping with directors in each. The adult union has grown 400% within the last two months. Plans are in the making for a study course for each department which will be greatly helpful to all new officers and committeemen. Congratulations are certainly in order here to Miss Fancher and her co-workers.

A study course using a stewardship book is in order right now. Your church is making up its budget for the new year. A vision of one's obligation in the matter of money will help both the giver and the cause.

CENTENNIAL MEMORANDA 1845-1945

By Louie D. Newton

Slavery was the cause of the split in the General Missionary Convention of the Baptist denomination in the United States, in 1844. Our Methodist brethren withdrew from their brethren in the North the same year, as did other southern churchmen.

It may be of general interest to pause in our study of the Centennial to note the steadily declining ratio in the population of Negroes in the United States, from 1790 to the present.

In 1714 there were 58,850 Negroes in this country—all of them, of course, slaves. By 1754 the number had increased to 300,000. Below I give the figures on the Negro population, by decades, beginning in 1790, and the ratio of the Negro population to the total population:

1770—	757,208—19.3.
1800—	1,002,037—18.9.
1810—	1,377,808—19.0.
1820—	1,771,656—18.4.
1830—	2,328,642—18.1.
1840—	2,873,648—16.8.
1850—	3,638,808—15.7.
1860—	4,441,830—14.1.
1870—	4,880,793—12.1.
1880—	6,580,793—13.1.
1890—	7,488,788—11.9.
1900—	8,883,994—11.6.
1910—	9,827,763—10.7.
1920—	10,463,131—10.1.
1930—	11,891,143—10.3.
1940—	12,865,518—10.2.

(Next week I will discuss the increased gifts of Southern Baptists, beginning immediately upon the organization of the Southern Baptist Convention in Augusta in 1845.)

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New Diploma Books

Beginning the first of last July, a few changes were made in the Sunday school plan for diplomas and seals. Four books: PERSONAL FACTORS IN CHARACTER BUILDING, SOME LEARNING PROCESSES, LOOKING AT LEARNING and SUNDAY SCHOOL OFFICERS AND THEIR WORK are not now diploma credit books.

Three books: WHAT BAPTISTS BELIEVE, SOUL WINNING DOCTRINES and THE IMPROVEMENT OF TEACHING IN THE SUNDAY SCHOOL, are now diploma books. The same two books are in Group I as always, the other two in Group II, and one of the two in Group IV is the same as before. However, the two in Group III are new, and one in Group IV is new.

Also, the administration department books are not now diploma credit books, but seal credit only. However, the teaching department books may be used as diploma credits in Group IV, as heretofore.

We have new leaflets showing clearly these few changes, as well as the new plan for granting additional diploma and seal credits to those who wish to pursue their studies beyond that of the gold seal. We shall be glad to mail you one of these leaflets on request.

Canton First Advances

During the Sunday school year just closed the Adult department of the First Baptist Church, Canton, became standard for the first time in the history of that church, which is more than 100 years old. Mr. D. A. Spence was then the Adult department superintendent, and the leading factor in this work. This good Adult department progress served as an impetus for other departments and classes to do likewise.

With this in mind, the church elected Mr. Spence as associate superintendent in charge of standardization for the new year.

His goal is: AN ADVANCED STANDARD SUNDAY SCHOOL DURING 1945!

Look out, Philadelphia! It seems now that you are not going to have that Advanced Standard field all to yourself this year.

Mr. Spence writes us that they have set May 30, 1945, as the dead-line for all departments of their school to be standard. We certainly wish him and all his helpers the greatest success in this worthy task. It all goes to show what planning, training, and some good hard work can do. There are others that should do the same thing.

Remember, STANDARD UNITS ARE BETTER!

Covington Is Coming

A recent letter from Rev. R. R. Darby, pastor at Seminary and Sanford in Covington county, reveals the joyful news that at their recent Association \$900.00 was pledged in a very short time to employ an associational worker for next summer to promote Sunday school, Training Union, and Vacation Bible school work.

That is most certainly a very definite step in the right direction. Some of the most thrilling reports that come to us each summer are from these special summer workers

that go out into the rural churches to help promote the cause of Christ. Every association that has used one or more workers in this way has been amply repaid for every penny spent.

It is going to require something more than voluntary leadership in the matter of promoting a sure-enough associational program.

We rejoice at this forward step of Covington Association in their plans for 1945. Other associations are doing likewise, as have some that have been at it for several years. Yes, it's a step in the right direction.

Deer Creek Rejoices

Pastors, leaders of other phases of church work, and others in Deer Creek Association are rejoicing over the work of the summer. They have 26 churches in that association, and this year they had a Vacation Bible school in each of them and six mission schools in addition, making a total of 32 Vacation Bible schools for the summer.

One of the great causes of their rejoicing is the fact that of the 422 baptisms in the association this year, 92 of them were from the Vacation Bible schools.

There is not the slightest doubt but that if we reach anything like our 1945 goal of winning lost people, much of it is to be done through the agency of mission Sunday schools and mission Vacation Bible schools.

Deer Creek Association, Rev. C. L. Quarles, Leland, associational Sunday school superintendent, has already set its 1945 goal for a Vacation Bible school in every church and at least 15 mission schools, with the possibility of having as many mission schools as there are churches.

That's taking the program to where the people are. If we reach and win the people, we must do it where they are. That was the way Jesus did it.

Our sincerest congratulations to these Deer Creek leaders on this excellent record for this year and for their large vision and big plans for 1945. That's exactly the way it should be with all of us.

A new church has been organized at Marks, Mississippi, Quitman county. The name of it is the West Marks Baptist Church. As every new church should do, they started from the beginning with a Sunday school, and Mr. J. B. Cole is the superintendent.

Mr. Cole, congratulations on your great opportunity of leading your people in a great Bible teaching program through your Sunday school.

Also, Mr. Harold Douglas, educational director of the First Baptist Church, Starkville, writes us that they have recently organized an Adult department with five classes.

Brother, that's something worth while in any church! How we do need to plan, pray, organize, study and work to help this great host of Adult men and women in our churches and communities. We rejoice with Dr. Ray, Dr. Hoover and Mr. Douglas on the organization of this brand new Adult department. That's success in anybody's language.

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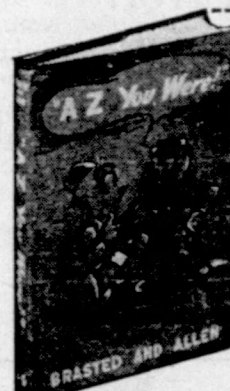
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Sunday School Lesson

Prepared by Bracey Campbell

Lesson for November 5 THE CHRISTIAN AND THE RACE PROBLEM

Luke 10:25-37; Acts 10:9-16;
34, 35; 17:22-31

Introduction.

I have just finished a re-reading of Carlyle's great work of the French Revolution and I would draw for myself and you a lesson from the tragic events which the great old writer makes the basis of his sage reasonings. You will recall that the motto of the revolutionists was formed of three words: Liberty, Equality, Fraternity. But turn now from the motto to the motion, from the words to the works, from what they proclaimed to what they performed, who arranged these words in this motto.

Perhaps there never was anything in the world besides a people who went the lengths in persecution of class by class, in the slaughter of the members of one group by another, of the refined cannibalism which expressed itself in the tanning of the skins of its victims and of the calm discussion afterwards of the respective merits of the tanned skins of men and women, of the veniality, the rapacity, the senseless, heartless, hoggish greed, which slaughtered those who had aught of value in possession in order that the said possessions might be appropriated to the use of those who played the butcher, as is seen in that same Revolution with its six years of unspeakable horrors inflicted by one class upon members of another there in that fair land whose people coined the motto: Liberty! Equality! Fraternity!

How could that be? Those same people were the first in the annals of history who established by act of legislature an atheistic state, confiscated all property devoted to religious uses, beheaded their religious leaders, seizing what properties belonged to any religious leader or religious institution. Say you that theirs was a false religion? Is there nothing to be said on the side that it was the best they had, and that they might have found

the true through an earnest and consistent effort to purge the false from the true in it? But let us not quarrel; rather let us agree that the motto of the French did not solve the race problem or the class problem, which may be just as bad, or even worse.

I. "Thy Neighbor as Thyself." Luke 10:25-37.

Read this beautiful story. It was told to a lawyer by our Lord, and was drawn forth by two questions propounded by the lawyer. "What shall I do to inherit eternal life?" And the answer, "Thou shalt love . . . thy neighbor as thyself." The second question, "And who is my neighbor?" The answer of the Lord is the beautiful story of the Good Samaritan. He was a man of a foreign, mongrel race, despised by the Jews of our Lord's time: a man who on finding a Jew in need and pain, went to his relief with the best he had of means and ability to help the unfortunate. He who thus found another in unfortunate circumstances found thereby a neighbor. Thy neighbor, then, is he who needs thee. Are there such about thy door? Do lost people need the message you can bring them as a Christian? Does the fact that the number of lost people grows greater here in our own state during every recent year of our Lord have meaning for you? There are three very distinct racial groups in Mississippi: the white, the red, the black. Of the red, I was astonished when I read that there are 3,000. A little while ago, the white Baptists of Mississippi were paying their one lone missionary to these red people a salary of \$25.00 every month of the year, or \$300.00 every year. The missionary, a dear good man, died. I am wondering whether he died of habits of dissipation induced by his efforts to spend all of his salary, and whether such activities may not have led to the neglect of his Choctaw charges. Poor missionary! Poor Indians! Poor Baptists!

II. Peter's Vision and Its Lesson. Acts 10:9-16, 34, 35.

Let us begin by saying that there is a bit of comfort in this story for those of us who will take it. That comes, of course, out of the persuasion that Peter was a saved man when he went up on the housetop to pray. Then a man can still be the bigoted holder of racial prejudice after he is saved. I am glad that is so, else a multitude of our Baptists in Mississippi, now and yesterday, must howl in hell throughout eternity. But the race-bigot can not be the ideal Christian, as is seen here. He can not be the most useful Christian. Peter's mind had to be purged of his Jewish prejudice before he could be of the greatest use as a missionary of his Lord. And the vision of the four-cornered sheet, full of "the fourfooted beasts and creeping things of the earth, and birds of the air," and the command to him to slay of these beasts and creeping things and birds and eat till his appetite was satisfied, was for the purpose of laying the basis for extirpation of his race-prejudice. For he had always kept the law of clean and unclean meats. The answer of the Lord meant that the law of unclean meats had been now forever abrogated, and there followed hard upon this the application of the same principle of universal cleansing of the races. No longer is there to be made in Peter's mind a distinction of clean and unclean as applied to Greeks,

Romans, Samaritans, or others; but men are men in the sight of God, of equal worth and equal savability, of whatever color or condition. The masses of men are made of individuals, and each of them is precious in the sight of God, and along with every other one is the object of His care. If there, for the sake of argument now, is such a thing as the master race, the obligation of it to the inferior races is all the greater just because it is the master race.

In this living protest against race prejudice which ought to characterize the Christian and in his effort to solve the race problem (which I beg of you to realize is a problem), what can a Mississippi Baptist believe and practice toward the black people within our borders? Well, in the first place, he can leave them black. That is the way God made them, and I think it is the way He would rather have them. And such a course, believe me, is the practice of the very finest sort of social equality—not social admixture—social equality. Then, let the white Baptist treat the black brother justly: pay the black man what is his due, give him good measure, yield him his rightful space in the road (what is his rightful space in the road? As much as you take for yourself), and see that the black man has a fair trial before the courts. That is not social admixture, but it is social equality, and that is the negro's due. Where the black man is ignorant, teach him, and where he is sick, assist him to get well. Then, as you learn to feel a deep sympathy for the black man, let the same feeling embrace the world of men. I should have said, wherever you find a negro or an Indian or a Jap or a Chinaman doing a worthwhile, noble

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III. Brother Paul on Racial Relationships. Acts 17:22-31.

Look what Paul says:

1. God created the universe, including all the men and women in it.

2. God made of one blood or origin all races and kinds of men.

3. All nations therefore are one.

4. The places of the nations in God's scheme of things is predetermined by Him.

5. God is not far from man. I know He is not far from my boy out in the Mariannas, but I want also to know that He is not far from the Jap who is seeking my boy's life.

6. We (all men) live and move and have our being in Him.

7. Man is the offspring of God. That is what Paul says. Now, do not let any wild-eyed, long-haired brother or short-haired sister unsettle you on that point. He is the father of the spirits of all men.

8. In view of all the foregoing, God has a right to command all men everywhere to repent. That is another way of saying that God commands men that they should all everywhere turn from reliance upon their own poor understanding and rest their hope of help and health and heaven on Him.

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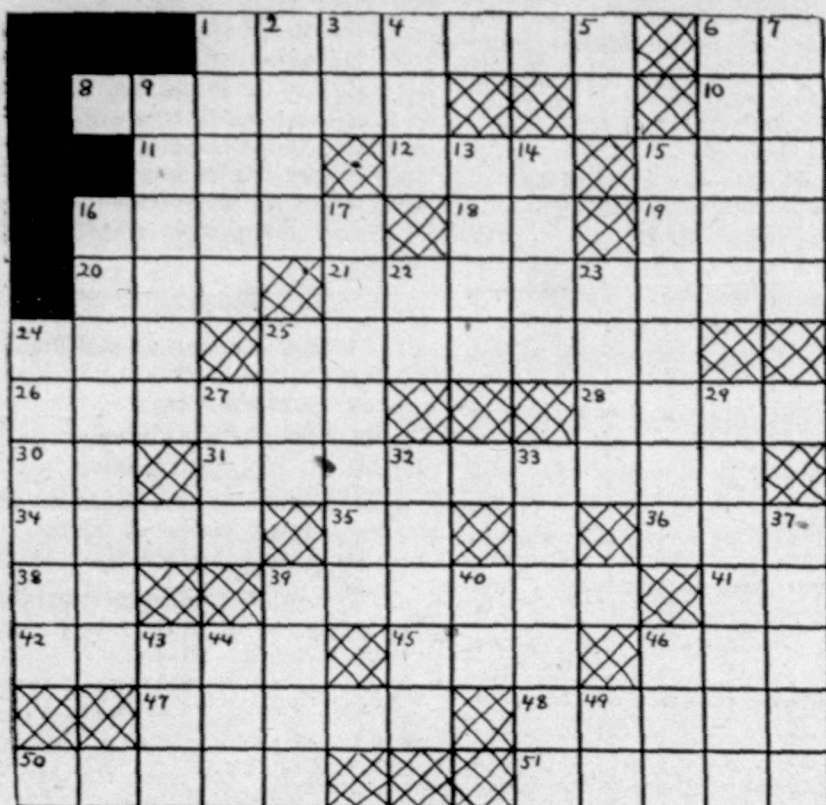
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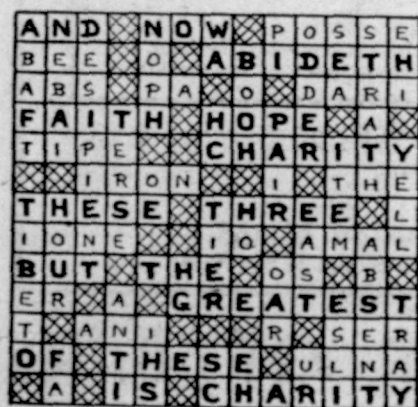
FRIENDS OF PAUL
ACROSS

- 1 Paul called this man "my own son in the faith."
- 6 Public notice.
- 8 This evangelist friend had four daughters "which did prophesy."
- 10 Pronoun.
- 11 Greek letter.
- 12 Pouch.
- 15 Sheep mother, Ex. 22:30.
- 16 Report.
- 18 "... here is Christ."
- 19 Eggs.
- 20 Americans, or their pied Uncle.
- 21 Paul called him "our dear fellow-servant," Col. 1:7.
- 24 Epoch.
- 25 Paul sent this friend into Macedonia to work, Acts 19:22.
- 26 Deprive of a seat.
- 28 Load.
- 30 Sodium.
- 31 This woman and her husband went to Ephesus with Paul and taught Apollos, Acts 18.
- 34 A Merarite Levite, 1 Chron. 24:27.
- 35 As below (abbr.).
- 36 Large bird.
- 38 Calcium.
- 39 Aslant.
- 41 A chief place in Moab, Num. 21:28.
- 42 Attempt.
- 45 An Asherite, 1 Chron. 7:38.
- 46 Title.
- 47 Paragraphs.
- 48 First European convert of Paul; she was "a seller of purple."
- 50 Paul abode with him fifteen days in Jerusalem, Gal. 1:18.
- 51 Grandmother of 1 across.

DOWN

- 1 Paul wrote an epistle to this other "son after the common faith."
- 2 One of David's guards, 1 Chron. 11:29.
- 3 Note.
- 4 Italian goddess.
- 5 "be ... transformed," Rom. 12:2.
- 6 Ezra camped here, Ezra 8:15.
- 7 Paul's companion during his first imprisonment in Rome, Col. 4:14.

ANSWERS TO LAST WEEK



9 Paul sends greetings to him in Romans 16:14.

- 13 "... for the day!" Joel 1:15.
- 14 Egyptian of the native race.
- 15 Rich hanging.
- 16 He introduced Paul to the apostles after his conversion, Acts 9:27.
- 17 Amanuensis of Paul when he wrote to the Romans (16:22).
- 22 Father.
- 23 Seed covering.
- 24 Mother of 1 across.
- 25 "nor ... heard," 1 Cor. 2:9.
- 27 Roof ornament.
- 29 Athenian woman converted to Christianity by Paul, Acts 17:34.
- 32 He was in prison with Paul at the time of the earthquake, Acts 16.
- 33 Envelope in a pall.
- 37 Either one of the Bears.
- 39 Town in Massachusetts.
- 40 "Whether Paul, ... Apollos."
- 43 "to ... up late," Ps. 127:2.
- 44 Consumed.
- 46 Roman numeral.
- 49 Exclamation.

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preach the gospel to every creature—not to the Jews alone, now, but go teach all nations, and whosoever believeth and is baptized shall be saved."

Dr. Farnsworth referred again to the case of Philip and the eunuch, and said: "Because they both went down into the water, it does not necessarily follow that there was an immersion; for on the day of Pentecost there were added to the disciples about three thousand souls, and were all baptized. This, you must know, could not have been done by immersion, because there was not time enough."

"But doctor," said Mellie, "pray tell me how much more time it takes to immerse than to sprinkle a person? As all of the apostles were there together, they could have divided them out, and immersed them in a short time. The apostles could easily have immersed 3,000 persons in four and a half hours. That is only one a minute. In India three Baptist preachers immersed 2,222 in six hours. Twelve could at that rate have immersed 8,888 in six hours. Some of them, however, may have waited until the next day or the next week, as the Bible does not say when they were baptized, only that they were added to the church that day. Could they not have made a profession of discipleship that day and have received baptism afterward? You will allow me to infer this, will you not?"

"Yes, yes," said the doctor, "you can infer anything you please."

"So you will agree, doctor, that inference is an unsafe guide, I presume?"

"Not always—not necessarily so. But, Mellie, how do you fix it up about the baptism of the Holy Ghost, which was poured out upon the people? The people were immersed, were they?"

"I suppose," said Mellie, "that the influence of the Holy Spirit on this occasion was overwhelming, therefore figuratively called a baptism. The figure so well represents immersion that it is appropriately called a baptism. Why not call this a baptism on account of its overwhelming power, as well as for Christ to have called His sufferings a baptism? I suppose that when ministers pray for a baptism of the Holy Spirit, they mean an immersion—an overwhelming effect; they certainly don't mean just a little, like sprinkling."

"O, but," said the doctor, "you forget that the Bible speaks of the pouring out of the Spirit, what does this mean?"

"Well, it means, no doubt," said Mellie, "just what you meant on yesterday, when in your sermon you became a little poetical, and spoke of the 'sun pouring his rays down on the earth on a July noon.' In both instances the speakers used figurative language, and the idea has reference to the power and not to the manner. You would never say the sun pours down his rays early in the morning, but you would say, 'The gentle beams of the rising sun,' as some poet has said; and young as I am, I have learned that there is a limit to the

ideas in figures of speech and poetical allusions, as well as in other cases."

"Your imagination is very prolific, I find," said the doctor, "and I presume you can see that Christ was immersed on the cross because He referred to His sufferings as a baptism?"

"No," replied Mellie, "I can't see that He was immersed on the cross, nor can I see that He was either poured or sprinkled on the cross, but I can see that He was overwhelmed with sufferings. It is not uncommon to hear persons speak of being 'overwhelmed with sorrows,' or of being 'immersed in cares,' or 'immersed in business.' Such expressions may be heard frequently, but no one yet has so warped the figure as to say, 'poured with sorrows,' 'poured in cares,' or 'sprinkled in business.' Figures are strictly representative. Don't you remember that the hymn you used on yesterday begins,

"Plunged in a gulf of dark despair,
We wretched sinners lay,"

thus presenting an idea in figurative language that we readily comprehend. We know that by the word plunged the poet meant overwhelmed; and another poet has described our condition by nature as being

"Overwhelmed in sin and sore distress."

Then there is mamma's favorite hymn, beginning,

"There is a fountain filled with blood,
Drawn from Immanuel's veins,
And sinners plunge beneath that flood
Lose all their guilty stains."

Such figures of speech are easily understood, only when they occur in the Bible with reference to baptism."

"Since I have turned questioner," said Dr. Farnsworth, "let me inquire: how were the people baptized unto Moses, in the cloud and in the sea? The waters were divided, standing on either side of the Israelites as they went through; there was also the cloud; and I wish to see how you avoid the conclusion that the spray from the sea, and a shower of rain from the cloud, sprinkled the people so as to be very appropriately termed a baptism."

"I take this as another figurative allusion," she said, "and not a literal fact. I do not read of any spray arising from the sea, whose waters stood congealed on either side; nor do I read of any cloud that was likely to have produced a shower of rain. My Bible describes a significance of the presence of the Almighty, appearing as a pillar of cloud by day, and a pillar of fire by night, to guide the Israelites in their journey, and assure them of His protection; but I cannot suppose that any person really believes that this pillar of cloud gave forth a shower of rain. This Bible says they went over dry shod. The allusion to baptism is only figurative, but if it could be construed into a literal baptism at all, it would be because the water formed a wall on either side, and the clouds covered them above, thus enveloping them. But the most reasonable interpretation, it occurs to me, is that the Israelites, going out of Egyptian bondage, and witnessing their miraculous salvation at the sea, in going through, acknowledged their allegiance to Moses as their leader and deliverer, just as a person by baptism renounces

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world. From less than a million when I began my ministry, we have grown to number our members at five and a half millions.

"If we are true to our commission, by the close of the next hundred years, Baptists may easily number fifty millions in all the world. I hope that we will not be swept away by any movements that cause us to weaken or lose our original testimony."

Fidelity and Courage Needed

"Do you think that the outlook for organized Christianity, as represented by the evangelical churches, will be more or less favorable after the war?"

"Christianity has received some heavy jolts in Europe," Dr. Sampey admitted. "It has been hit even harder in Japan. No one can predict with certainty what will be the outcome. There are many reasons for hope that the evangelical missionary movement will take on new life when peace comes. Our men will bring back strong testimony to the value of Christianity in the lands where they have been. There should be a great surge forward in the world-wide missionary enterprise. If this is true, we shall need vastly more missionaries. There will be some hard fields, but Brazil and China will offer unlimited opportunity. Much depends upon our fidelity and courage in the years that lie immediately ahead."

Dr. Sampey's Conversion

"Getting back to the more personal aspect, what influenced you most to become a Christian?"

Dr. Sampey's eyes grew moist. "I had a long struggle as a child. I waited for something mysterious to happen. I was burdened with my sins, but I did not know what to do, and nobody told me. Then one night, lying on my trundle bed near my mother's, in desperation I began praying silently, saying, 'Lord Jesus, I'm just going to turn it all over to you. If I am lost, I'll go down trusting you.' In that moment, peace came. That peace has never departed from me."

"What then influenced you to enter the Christian ministry?"

"Humanly," he said, "perhaps most of all the friendship of an old man who came to the Sunday school of which, as a lad of 15, I had been made superintendent, Father Bell, we called him. He told me that he was praying that the Lord would call me into the ministry. I always had the highest regard for the ministry and made no

the bondage of Satan and professes allegiance to Christ. Hence the event is called baptism unto Moses. Now you know, doctor, that I take nothing as a proof in doctrine or practice except the Bible, but Dr. McKnight was a good Presbyterian, and as he understood it about as I have expressed it, he may be authority with you, so I will read what he says: 'And all were baptized into the belief of Moses' divine mission, by their being hidden from the Egyptians in the cloud, and by their passage through the sea miraculously.' And again he says: 'Because the Israelites, by being hid from the Egyptians under the cloud, and by passing through the Red Sea, were made to declare their belief in the Lord and His servant Moses, the apostle were properly represents them as being baptized unto Moses in the cloud and in the sea.'

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Answers To Know Your Bible

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1. (The field of blood): The Jews in Jerusalem named it "The field of blood," because Judas purchased it with the money he received in betraying Christ, and the hanging of himself in that field.

2. (Advertising in the Bible): "I will advertise thee what this people shall do to thy people in the latter years." Numbers 24:14. Also see Ruth 4:4, which reads, "And I thought to advertise thee, saying, 'But it be before the inhabitants,' etc."

3. ("Amen," and detail of same): "Amen" means true, a form of assent. It is a very old word, first used by the Hebrews and Greeks. (1) After a statement to signify, or made true, confirmed, established. (2) After a prayer, it signifies "let it be so."

4. (First church of Gentiles): The capital of the Greek kings of Syria, and later the Roman governors of the same province, known as Antioch (which included Palestine), was where "the first church of the Gentiles" was established. It was from here (Antioch), the disciples of Christ were first known as Christians, or Gentiles. (See Acts 11:20-16.)

resistance when others spoke of their hope that I might be a minister.

"When I was 16 my church licensed me to preach, and I began at once. Of course I realized the need of an education and my father and mother, through real sacrifice, helped me to attend Howard College, where I received my degree. I then determined to attend the Seminary, entering in 1882 and graduating in 1885."

Wanted to Be a Missionary

"If you had not been called to teach in the Seminary, what would you have preferred to do?"

"During my senior year," Dr. Sampey recalled, "Dr. W. D. Powell and two distinguished Mexican officials came to the Seminary and appealed for workers for that land of need and opportunity. I was deeply stirred and volunteered to go. Then came the death of Dr. George W. Riggan, and I was astonished to have Dr. Manly call me in and ask me to consider accepting a place on the teaching staff."

"I was persuaded that this was God's will for me and began teaching at the beginning of the next session. More than once I felt the urge to go as a missionary. Once Dr. Broadus pointed to the spire of the old building and said, 'Sampey, yonder is the most important institution the Baptists of the world have. A life invested here will not be misplaced.'"

Now Writing Memoirs

"To what have you been devoting yourself during these days since your retirement?"

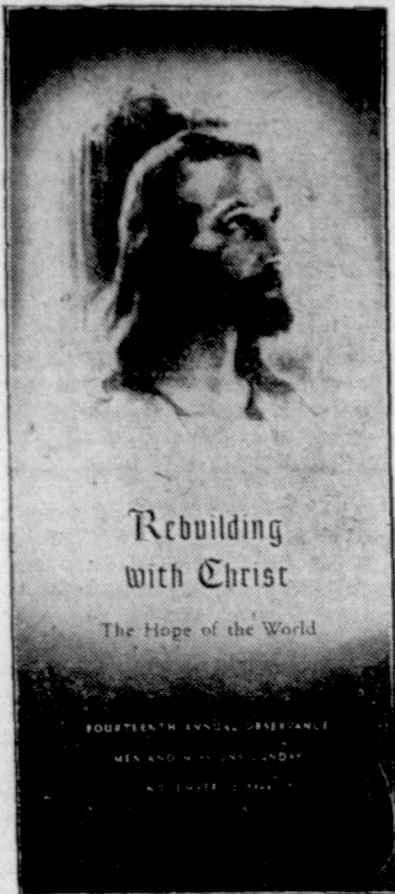
With some evidence of pride, Dr. Sampey told of his work on his memoirs, which he has more than half completed. He spends about three hours a day of steady work on the manuscript, carefully checking his memory with the records. He quoted Dr. William H. Whitsett, professor of

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NOVEMBER 12 IS MEN AND MISSIONS SUNDAY

Chicago, Ill.—Sponsored by the Laymen's Missionary Movement with headquarters here, the fourteenth annual observance of Men and Missions Sunday will be held on November 12. The executive committee has announced that pastors of all communions or denominations will participate; and chaplains in all theaters of the war will also co-operate.

Almost 3,000 resident chairmen in communities throughout the United States have been appointed to promote the observance in their churches. They, in turn, are enlisting the co-operation of 40,000 pastors.

The Laymen's Missionary Movement endeavors through all of its activities, and particularly in the observance of Men and Missions Sunday, to inspire men to support missionary endeavors both at home and abroad, encouraging each church to promote missionary enterprises through its respective home and foreign missionary boards.

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CALVARY CHURCH, JACKSON, PLANS STUDY COURSE

November 6-10, Calvary church, Jackson, will have a Sunday school study course. Classes are planned for teachers of all age groups. The program follows:

Inspirational Speakers

Monday, 8:00 p. m.—Dr. W. E. Greene, Newton, Miss. Subject: "Enlargement."

Tuesday, 8:00 p. m.—Dr. D. Swan Haworth, Vicksburg, Miss. Subject: "Training."

Wednesday, 8:00 p. m.—Dr. D. A. McCall, Executive Secretary, State Mission Board. Subject: "My Bible."

Thursday, 8:00 p. m.—Dr. John Newport, Clinton, Miss. Subject: "Evangelism."

Friday, 8:00 p. m.—Rev. Joe Odle, Crystal Springs, Miss. Subject: "Climaxing a Century for Christ."

There will be two forty-five minute periods each evening, beginning at



COMES TO PARKWAY

Miss Edith Taylor, of Louisville, Mississippi, has come to Parkway Baptist Church as educational secretary. She was very popular at Blue Mountain, both with the students and faculty. Her very excellent work and splendid personality attracted the attention of Mr. R. G. LeTourneau, who engaged her as his religious secretary while she was working as secretary of the church in Belzoni, Mississippi. Miss Taylor comes to Parkway to assume a host of duties in this rapidly growing church. She will install the Post-Index record system which gives a most comprehensive survey of the personality and work of each member. She has charge of the largest church library in the state, and she will do promotional work among all of the organizations in the church. Great things are predicted as a result of her labors.—Dr. W. A. Bell.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL AND B. T. U. ATTENDANCE October 29

	SS	BTU
Griffith Memorial, Jackson	551	283
Calvary, Jackson	965	273
First, Jackson	1,030	254
Wallerville	72	41
Enon (Panola county)	37	36
Houlka (Chickasaw Co.)	93	55
Tocawa (Panola Co.)	28	41
Olive Branch	62	22
Olive Branch (Oct. 22)	71	36
Roseland Park, Picayune	93	44
Hardy	100	35
First, New Albany	438	164
Bethlehem, Jones Co.	68	41
Rocky Creek, George Co.	91	75
Luce Mission	30	
Pine Bluff, Clay Co.	35	
Cross Roads, Webster Co.	69	32
Pattison	25	21
Louisville	416	121
Ellison Ridge, Winston Co.	104	110
First, Gulfport	552	111
Rocky Springs	21	
Rocky Springs, Oct. 22	20	
Summit		127
Friendship (Kreole)	57	58
Crystal Springs	498	157
Liberty Hill	64	51
Harrisburg, Tupelo	152	53
West Laurel	525	179
Parkway, Jackson	490	142
Magee's Creek, Walthall Co.	92	126
Newton		206



DR. DODD TRAVELS 15,000 MILES PROMOTING CRUSADE

During the past three months Dr. M. E. Dodd has traveled some 15,000 miles and met with groups of Baptist people, small and large, in twelve states of the Southern Baptist Convention. He has found a spontaneity of response to the Centennial Evangelistic Crusade that is indescribable. It has sprung up simultaneously in all parts of our convention territory. It is outrunning the general Crusade plans.

Illinois, South Carolina and Florida have already adopted definite evangelistic plans and are promoting and publicizing them in a most aggressive manner.

the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board, "but the Shawnee Indians. All along the years they have rejected Baptist, Methodist, Holiness, and Jehovah's Witnesses mission efforts."

The missionary stated that he went with his wife to the Shawnee field a year ago, and after a time they were able to overcome opposition offered by Creek Indians in the territory.

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Church History and president of the Seminary in the earlier years of Dr. Sampey's teaching, "A line or two on or near the spot is worth a whole carload of reminiscences."

"Dr. Sampey, Dr. Fuller suggested one last question which we would like to have you answer. If you had your life to live over again, what would you want to do with it?"

His head was bowed for a moment, then with uplifted and shining face he said, "Just what I have tried for more than 60 years to do, only better. I would want to teach, but to teach better, I would want to preach, but to preach better. I would want to witness for Christ, but to be a better witness. I would rather be a good minister of Jesus Christ than anything else in the world."

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SHAWNEE INDIANS TO HAVE BAPTIST CHURCH

Oklahoma City, Okla.—(RNS)—Opening of a Baptist church among the Shawnee Indians on November 11 will bring organized church work to the last of the tribes in this territory, it was announced by Rev. V. J. Zunigha, Southern Baptist missionary.

"I do not know of another tribe in Oklahoma that does not have some kind of church," the missionary wrote

7:00 and 8:30.

Teachers

"The Adult Department of the Sunday School"—Mrs. John B. Riley.

"The Young People's Department of the Sunday School"—Mrs. Henry Love.

"The Art of Teaching Intermediates"—Miss Elizabeth Draughon.

"Guiding the Junior Boys and Girls in the Sunday School"—Mrs. Mac Lay.

"Guiding the Primary Child in the Sunday School"—Miss Nellie Dean Mitchell.

"Beginner Sunday School Work"—Mrs. R. A. Marston.

"The Extension Department of the Sunday School"—Mrs. S. A. Jones.

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